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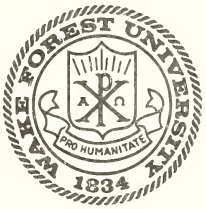

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Proceedings

Of The Senter District Primitive Baptist Association
Held At Beaver Creek Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 1961

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with prayer by Elder Joel A. Simmons, visitor from the Piney Grove Association.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis. Text: Acts of the Apostles 20th chapter, verses 26 through 28.

After one hour interval the messengers assembled in church, called to order by Elder C. D. Hall, correspondent from the Roaring River Association, who led in prayer.

On Motion:

First: Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

Second: Call for petition letters. Received none.

Third: The Association re-elected by ballot Elder Ed Davis, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

Fourth: Called for correspondents from sister Associations, the following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Fishers River Association
Elder E. L. Hunter
Brother J. M. Hunter
Elder W. C. Hawks

Mates Creek Association
Elder Teddy Ball
Elder J. H. Blackburn

Mountain Association
Elder Walter Evans
Brother C. E. Eastep
Elder Ed Douglas

Mt. Zion Association

Piney Grove Association
Elder H. M. Bowman
Brother S. O. Shelton
Elder M. O. Stephens

Roaring River Association
Elder C. D. Hall
Brother J. T. Shoaf
Brother W. C. Hall

St. Clairs Bottom Association
Brother W. P. Johnson
Brother Vernie Heath
Brother Paul Sanders

United Primitive Baptist Association
Brother E. C. Thompson
Elder Walden Stockner

Washington Association
Elder Lester Barker
Elder M. M. Edwards
Elder Ring Singleton
Elder Raleigh Cumpton

Fifth: Call for transient and visiting brethren from sister Associations. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome.

Fishers River Association
Elder H. V. Thomas
Brother H. J. Hill
Brother O. W. Sisk and Wife
Elder Mat. Edwards
Sister R. L. Nelson
Sister Hattie Hawks

Mates Creek Association
Brother W. B. Runnion and Wife
Brother Andy Blackburn and Wife

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Sister Mary Rose
Sister J. H. Blackburn
Brother Robie Lewis

Mountain Association
Brother L. M. Reives and Wife
Sister Lela Crouse
Brother G. R. Douglas and Wife
Brother J. R. Crouse
Brother Robert Clerry
Brother Joseph Absher

Mt. Zion Association
Brother Luther Easter and Wife
Brother J. R. Lilly
Brother Harris Sturgills and Wife

New Liberty Association
Elder J. M. Whaling
Elder Allen C. Smith

Piney Grove Association
Elder Joel A. Simmons
Sister Addis Shelton
Brother James Sturgill

Prince William Association
Elder C. J. De Loch
Brother Timothy De Loch

Roaring River Association
Elder Allen Whittington
Sister C. D. Hall
Elder Raleigh Joins
Brother C. S. Whittington

St. Clairs Bottom Association
Brother A. J. Arrington
Brother W. B. Johnson and Wife
Brother Charles Cave and Wife
Brother Delmer Heath

Sister Annie Cumpton
Brother Lem Tuggle

Union Association
Elder J. A. Barnard

United Primitive Baptist Association
Sister E. C. Thompson
Elder R. L. Bond

Washington Association
Brother Grady Sykes
Brother W. R. Mullins
Sister Lester Barker

Sixth: The Moderator makes temporary appointments in this session. The assignments are as follows:

1. To Preach At Stand
Elder Joel A. Simmons
Elder E. L. Hunter
Elder H. M. Bowman

2. Committee on Ministry
Brother Fred Weaver
Brother B. O. Dollinger
Brother T. E. Hartzog

3. Committee on Finance
Brother G. E. Kilby
Brother Jim Walters
Brother Gaither Johnson

4. Committee on Arrangements
Elder G. D. Roten
Elder Ed Severt
Brother Bob Speaks
Brother Millard Davis
Elder Wiley Hester

5. Committee on Correspondence
Elder G. D. Roten

Brother Tom Severt
Elder Wiley Hester

Seventh: That the committee on arrangements meet at Brother Bob Speaks home.

Eighth: To adjourn until 9:30 A. M. tomorrow.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 1961

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with prayer, Elder Mat. Edwards, visitor from the Fishers River Association, officiated.

On Motion:

First: Roll called, absentees excused.

Second: Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

Third: The correspondents appointed to sister Associations last year were asked to report. Reports acknowledged. Those who failed excused.

Fourth: That correspondence with sister Associations be on a voluntary basis. The following volunteered to go to:

Fishers River Association
Brother Tom Severt
Elder Ed Davis
Brother Millard Davis
Brother Jim Walters

Mates Creek Association
Elder G. D. Roten
Elder Wiley Hester

Mountain Association
Elder Ed Davis
Brother F. G. Weaver
Brother B. O. Dollinger
Brother Woodrow Burgess
Brother Bernie Bare

Piney Grove Association
Elder G. D. Roten

Elder Wiley Hester

Roaring River Association
Brother F. G. Weaver
Brother Tom Severt
Brother Frank Thompson
Elder Ed Davis

St. Clairs Bottom Association
Elder Ed Davis
Brother Abner Severt

Washington Association
Elder Ed Davis
Brother Tom Severt
Brother Eddie Lyle
Brother Jim Walters

Fifth: Continue correspondence with Powell's Valley Association through minutes approved.

Sixth: Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in minutes.

Seventh: To appoint the Clerk as Treasurer, overseeing printing for six hundred minutes, also the distribution of same.

Eighth: Next Association to convene at Roans Creek Church. Beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1962.

Elder G. D. Roten to deliver introductory sermon.
Elder Ed Severt, alternate.

Ninth: Finance committee reported, as follows:

Returned from last year	$ 6.00
Received from churches	160.25
Total revenue	$166.25

Expenditures:

Moderator	15.00
Clerk	15.00
Printing and postage of minutes	70.00
Back pay on last year's minutes	40.00

Total expenditures $140.00
Balance in hands of Clerk ..... $ 26.25

Tenth: Obituaries to appear in minutes.

Eleventh: Minutes be read and approved.

Twelfth: Adjourned through prayer led by Elder Ed Severt and with the Lord's blessings shall gather at the church named above, next session.

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator
Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday, August 18, 1961. Introductory sermon delivered by Elder Ed Davis. Text: Acts of the Apostles 20 chapter, verses 26 through 28.

Friday Afternoon:
Elder Joel A. Simmons
Elder E. L. Hunter
Elder H. M. Bowman

Friday Night at River View Church:
Elder J. H. Blackburn
Elder Teddy Ball
Elder J. A. Barnard

Saturday Morning:
Elder Lester Barker
Elder C. J. De Loch

Saturday Afternoon:
Elder J. M. Whaling
Elder J. A. Barnard
Elder Ed Douglas

Saturday Night at Senter Church:
Elder Mat. Edwards
Elder Walden Stockner

Sunday Morning:
Elder W. C. Hawks Introduced

Elder R. L. Bond
Elder Raleigh Cumpton
Elder Walter Evans

Elder Ed Davis, Moderator of our Association, closed the three day session through song followed by prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Ed Davis ..... Rt. 3, Lansing, N. C.
Elder W. E. Hester ..... Rt. 6, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby ..... Peach Bottom, Penn.
Elder G. D. Roten ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Ed Severt ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES

Churches	Clerks and Addresses	Church Messengers
Bear Creek	Earl W. Severt, Rt. 2, West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. W. E. Hester Eld. Ed Severt Bro. Earl W. Severt
Beaver Creek	G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. Woodrow Burgess Bro. R. L. Speaks Bro. Gaither Johnson
Big Helton	B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.	Bro. G. E. Kilby Bro. B. O. Dolinger Bro. R. J. Blevins
Horse Creek	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. Carl Ball Bro. Millard Davis Bro. Lee Landreth
North Fork	L. V. Johnson, West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. L. V. Johnson Bro. Ben Roten Bro. Frank Miller
Pond Mtn.	Eddie Lyle, Tuckerdale, N. C.	Eld. Ed Davis Bro. Eddie Lyle Bro. Edd Barker
River View	T. E. Hartzog, Fleetwood, N. C.	Eld. G. D. Roten Bro. T. E. Hartzog Bro. J. C. McNeill

Roans Creek — F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.	Bro. Fred Weaver Bro. Tom Severt Bro. F. O. Thompson
Senter — Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.	Bro. Rex Jones Bro. Burtie Bare Bro. Jim Walters
South Fork — Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.	Not Represented

CHURCHES AND THEIR PASTORS

Bear Creek ..... Elders G. D. Roten, Ed Severt, W. E. Hester
Beaver Creek ..... Elder G. D. Roten
Big Helton ..... Elder Ed Davis
Horse Creek ..... Elder G. D. Roten
North Fork ..... Elder G. D. Roten
Pond Mountain ..... Elder Ed Davis
Riverview ..... Elder G. D. Roten
Roans Creek ..... Elder G. D. Roten, Elder Ed Davis
Senter ..... Elder G. D. Roten, Elder Ed Davis
South Fork ..... Not Active

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and No. Of Minutes — Clerks And Their Adresses

Bear Creek — 25 ..... Earl W. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
Beaver Creek — 25 ..... G. A. Miller, West Jefferson,N.C.
Big Helton — 60 ..... B. O. Dollinger, Lansing, N. C.
Horse Creek — 25 ..... Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
North Fork — 30 ..... L. V. Johnson, West Jefferson, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 55 ..... Eddie Lyalls, Tuckerdale, N. C.
Riverview — 30 ..... T. E. Hartzog, Fleetwood, N. C.
Roans Creek — 45 ..... F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.
Senter — 55 ..... Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
South Fork — 20 ..... Ben Weaver, Piney Creek, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and No. of Minutes — Clerks and their Addresses

Ebenezer — 15 ..... Carrol R. Shuler, Stanley, Va.
Fishers Ford — 20 ..... Curtis Harbour, Rt. 2, Dobson, N. C.

Mates Creek — 20 ..... Stearl Hatfield, MC Carr, Ky.
Mountain — 25 ..... Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mt. Zion — 15 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.
Piney Ridge — 15 ..... S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C.
Powells Valley — 15 ..... Clarence Hensley, Pineville, Ky.
Roaring River — 25 John D. Hall, 278 South St., Elkin, N. C.
St. Clairs Bottom — 15 ..... Quintin P. Dancy, Chilhowie, Va.
United P. B. In Va. — 20 .....Elder E. S. Salmons, Floyd, Va.
Washington — 25 ..... Elder L. S. Street, Grundy, Va.

WISHING WELL

To our visiting brethren and friends we of the Senter Association wish at this time to thank you most heartily for your grand display publicly in personally attending our recent gathering. We feel and now know you also want to continue in furthering the word of God. There is no better way than was affected by your gracious turnout.

In unity there is strength. Clerk.

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our sister churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches. The dates also listed for your convenience.

Bear Creek ..... 1st Sat. and Sun., May 4th and 5th, 62
Beaver Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., May 26th and 27th, 62
Senter ..... 2nd Sat. and Sun., June 9th and 10th, 62
River View ..... 3rd Sat. and Sun., June 16th and 17th, 62
North Fork ..... 1st Sat. and Sun., July 7th and 8th, 62
South Fork ..... 2nd Sat. and Sun., July 14th and 15th, 62
Big Helton ..... 3rd Sat. and Sun., July 21st and 22nd, 62
Horse Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 28th and 29th, 62
Roans Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 28th and 29th, 62
Pond Mountain ..... 1st Sat. and Sun., August 4th and 5th, 62

LEST WE FORGET

In our everyday life of hustle we continually find ourselves forgetting — yes occasionally forgetting even those

who when on earth meant so much to us. Especially when in our trials and tribulations they and they alone seemed the only one of all the people we knew that we could turn to.

Now since through God's Grace they are resting, can but we take time out if only just once a year to make amends for this forgetfulness by sending to us the names you so dearly loved, whereby we all will remember those who preceded us in God's merited slumber.

Do unto others as we would want them to do unto us. . . . Clerk.

Obituaries

JESSIE HAMPTON MILLER

Jessie Hampton Miller was born November 1, 1888, died January 11, 1961, making his stay on earth 72 years, 2 months, and 10 days.

He was married to Blanche Hartzog March 27, 1938. He is survived by his wife and the following sisters: Emma Miller of Rt. 2, West Jefferson, N. C., Mattie Bare of Wagoner, N. C., Maggie Miller of Idlewild and Flora Hartzog of Concord, Tenn.; two half brothers, Webb Miller of Bristol, Va., Fender Miller of Hayes, N. C. and a number of nieces and nephews and friends.

Brother Miller made a profession of faith in Christ several years ago, but put off being baptized until last June when he was baptized into the fellowship of River View Primitive Baptist Church, where he was a happy, loyal and devoted member. No one was ever happier in their religion. It was a big help during his sickness to have the faith in Christ that he had. He got sick about a year ago, and during much of that time he suffered much pain. Through all his suffering he leaned heavily on his faith to carry him through.

It is hard to give up one who has meant so much to his family and friends. He was one who stayed at home and

worked hard but always had time to help those in need. We grieve at his passing but believe he is where all pains are gone. He said he had a home over yonder where he would be better off. So we bow in submission to the will of Him who made and loves us all. We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

GEORGE SEVERT

George Severt, the son of Jackson and Caroline Miller Severt was born March 18, 1866, departed this life 3 A. M. January 16, 1961, making his stay upon earth 94 years, 10 months and 2 days.

He was married to Martha E. Miller on November 16, 1891 who preceded him in death. To this union were born ten children, one of which passed on in infancy.

Brother Severt is survived by six sons, Jessie Abner Severt of West Jefferson, N. C., Gaither Severt, of Fleetwood, N. C., Avery Severt, of Roseville, Ohio, Callie Grant Severt of West Jefferson, N. C., Edward Severt of Laurel Springs, N. C., Manley Severt of Patriot, Ohio.

Three daughters, Mrs. Mary Isabella Miller of Jefferson, N. C., Mrs. Annie Mabel S. Payne of West Jefferson, N. C., Mrs. Ida Miller of Patriot, Ohio.

Three brothers who preceded him in death.

Ten sisters, all of which preceded him in death except one, Mrs. Sarah Jane Mash of Jefferson, N. C., a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren to mourn our loss.

Brother Severt professed hope in Christ and joined Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church in August 1915 and later became deacon of the church.

Deacon Severt's deep-seated principles of Christian faith made him outstanding in the church, always an inspiration. He was firm in his belief, never deviating but always strong in expressing salvation by the grace of God.

Deacon Severt's love of God's creatures won for him a

warm spot in the hearts of all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Deacon Severt's many thoughtful acts and kindness in regards to his personal family can be attested to by their great loss. We feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

MAUDE MABEL CRAVEN

Maude Mabel Craven was born January 11, 1881, departed this life September 22, 1960, making her stay on earth 79 years, 8 months, 10 days.

She was united in marriage to Rowan Craven in 1897. To this union was born 7 children. Her husband and 2 children preceded her in death. Surviving are 5 children, 22 grand children, 25 great grandchildren, and a host of friends and relatives.

She professed faith in Christ and joined the Roans Creek Primitive Baptist Church a number of years ago and remained a faithful member until death.

Sister Craven was known as a good mother and neighbor, and was loved by everyone. She was always willing to lend a helping hand, and was especially good to visit and help the sick. She is sadly missed by all, but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

DAVID ANDREW SOUTH

David Andrew South was born September 17, 1898 and departed this life July 29, 1961, making his stay on earth 62 years, 10 months and 12 days.

He was married to Belle Severt August 26, 1924. To this union were born nine children, one daughter preceding him in death on November 4, 1943. The following survive:

Robert South of Jefferson, N. C., Earl South of Hickory, N. C., Carl South of Warrensville, N. C., Ray South of Morehead City, N. C., Len South of Jacksonville, N. C., Wade, Margaret, Juanita of the home and 11 grand children. He

leaves a father, Dickie South, three brothers and two sisters, Alonza South of Wilbar, N. C., Caul South of Lenoir, N. C., Howard South of West Jefferson, N. C., Mrs. Alan Sheets of Fleetwood, N. C., Mrs. Council Miller of Baltimore, Md.

He had been in declining health 19 years and bedfast for 16 months.

Brother South made a profession in Christ and joined Beaver Creek Primitive Baptist Church May 18, 1960. He was then baptised May 23, 1960.

Brother South read his Bible daily for 16 years and he loved to hear the hymns and prayers of his fellowmen. He left a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

BERTHA KILBY RICHARDSON

Bertha Kilby Richardson, daughter of Elder T. H. and Marinthia Kilby, was born March 3, 1880 and departed this life August 15, 1961, making her stay on earth 81 years, 5 months, and 12 days. She was married to Luther Richardson, who preceded her in death. To this union were born 10 children, Maude Testerman of Holtwood, Pa., Edna Sexton of Marion, Va., Bradley, Fred, Kyle, Dwight, and Wade, all of Rugby, Va., Herman of Bel Air, Md., and Dougal and an infant who preceded her in death.

She professed a hope and joined Big Helton Primitive Baptist Church around 60 years ago and remained a faithful and dedicated member until death. Surviving are 8 children, 21 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren, 3 sisters: Mattie Owen of Pequea, Pa., Ala McGuire of Boone, N. C., and Charity Reeves of West Jefferson, N. C.; 6 brothers: Millard of Peach Bottom, Pa., Elder Charlie of Galax, Va., Gaither of West Jefferson, N. C., Elder Webb of Rock, W. Va., Carl and Preston of Marion, Va.

She was a kind and good mother and neighbor. She will be greatly missed. She was so patient through all her long

suffering. We will all miss her and greatly feel our loss, but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

MATILDA ABSHER BURGESS

Matilda Absher Burgess was born Sept. 17, 1877, the daughter of Tobias and Millie Wingler Absher. Her husband, Wiley Burgess, died on Oct. 8, 1959.

She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Ada Severt, Mrs. Ester South, Mrs. Hazel Bare, and Eva Zella Parsons, all of West Jefferson, N. C., Mrs. Chessie Faw of Waynesburg, Ky. Three sons, G. O. and Woodrow, both of West Jefferson, N. C., and Edward of Mountain City, Tenn., and one son that preceded her in death, Alton.

Sister Burgess professed hope in Christ in her teens, united with the Union Baptists, then some thirty years ago she united with the Riverview Primitive Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member until death.

Sister Burgess was a great Bible reader, she had read the Bible through many times, always enjoyed the good old hymns of Zion, and the preaching of the gospel.

It is hard to give one up who has meant so much to her family and friends, and to the community.

We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

DIANA ELIZABETH FARMER DAVIS

Diana Elizabeth Farmer Davis was born April 17, 1882 and died June 10, 1960, making her stay on earth 78 years, 1 month, and 17 days. She was first married to H. L. Davis. To this union was born one child who died in infancy. Then later on she married C. L. Davis who now survives.

She professed a hope and joined the Church at Pond Mountian where she lived a devoted member until death.

She leaves the following brothers and sisters to mourn her loss: Harrison Farmer of Watauga, Tenn., Wiley Farm-

er, Gray Farmer, and Dewey Farmer, all of Whitetop, Va., five sisters, Virra Davis of Bluefield, W. Va., Ledia Myers of Ubanks, Ky., Polly Cox, Audrey Cox, Elsie Davis, all of Whitetop, Va. and a host of friends to mourn her loss. We feel our loss is her eternal gain.

Sleep on, dear one, until God awakens you in His likeness.

WINTFORD CALLOWAY

Wintford Calloway was born July 19, 1884 and departed this life September 22, 1960, making his stay on earth 76 years, 2 months, and three days.

He was married to Ethel Teague, July 13, 1911.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Charles DeVore of La Mirada, Calif. and Mrs. Roger Pugh of Elkton, Md.; one brother, William Calloway of West Jefferson; five sisters, Mrs. Rufus Bledsoe of Gap Creek, Mrs. Bob Woodruff, Idlewild, Mrs. Hamp Colvard of Obids and Mrs. George Miller of West Jefferson.

Also five grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

He led a quiet and peaceful life making many friends and no enemies.

He joined Beaver Creek Primitive Baptist Church and lived in a sweet hope of the Resurrection and everlasting life.

Oh, call it not death
But that blessed sleep,
And never again
To wake up and weep,
The morning shall come,
The body shall rise,
And meet our dear Lord
Somewhere in the skies.

P. T. McNEILL

P. T. McNeill was born August 18, 1896, to Gaither McNeill and Alice McMillan McNeill.

He professed faith in Christ in his teens and was a faithful member of the Beaver Creek Primitive Baptist church, and helped in building the new church erected on the premises of the old one.

An ordained minister, he performed many noteworthy Christian services for his community and church.

He departed this life March 23, 1961 and was laid to rest in the McNeill Cemetery at his home.

Brother McNeill left behind a devoted wife and eight loving children to mourn their loss. But they have the blessed assurance that their loss is his eternal gain.

Sleep on God's little ones, until your Saviour comes in the clouds of His Glory, to awaken the sleeping. Clerk.

HATE

As we kneel to pray
At the altar of
The Prince of Peace
With hate in our hearts
For those who pray
To their God in another Church,
On another tongue,
By another name,
Or hate for those
Who do not pray,
We desecrate, His Holy Sacrament.

Dishonor then the name of Him,
Who cried from the Cross,
With his dying breath,
"Father Forgive,
They know not what they do."

If we believe

All that He taught,
Then we must know
That by our hate
We crucify,
Our Lord anew each day.
Clerk.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Associa-

tion shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member. Provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton and also from the Three Fork Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Fork Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by their respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church 21st October, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

Article 1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointments, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead, since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any classical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist church of Jesus

Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any sister Association, upon application by letter and delegates, shall be admitted into our union.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented to the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the number of the proceedings, the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a yearly compensation for his trouble.

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Horse Creek	4					1		23	14.25
North Fork	1			1			2	28	19.50
Pond Mountain	1	1					1	66	17.50
Riverview	3	1		1		1	1	26	20.00
Roans Creek	4						1	51	16.00
Senter	2		1				1	73	18.00
South Fork	2							19	
Total		5	1	4		2	12	395	$160.25

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Held At Roans Creek Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 1962

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder Teddy Ball, visitor from the Mates Creek Association.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Dewey Roten. Text: 12th chapter of Samuel, verses 1 through 8.

After one hour interval the messengers assembled in church, called to order by Elder D. C. Stover from the Mt. Zion Association, who led in prayer.

Due to the deceased Moderator Elder Edd Davis, Elder Charlie Kilby moderated temporarly until Moderator was chosen.

On Motion:

First: Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated, except Pond Mountain who withdrawed from the Association.

Second: The Association appointed Elder Wiley Hester, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

Third: Call for petition letters, received none.

Fourth: Called for correspondents from Sister Associations, the following were seated, given the right hand of welcome.

Fishers River Association:
Brother Raymond Smith

Mountain Association:
Elder Walter Evans
Elder C. B. Kilby
Brother Lon M. Reeves
Brother Eddie Hoppers

Mt. Zion Association:
Elder D. C. Stover
Brother Luther Easter

Fifth: Call for transient and visiting brethren from sister Associations. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Fishers River Association:

Elder and Sister Chester Collins
Brother Carroll Gardner
Brother and Sister H. J. Hill
Brother and Sister O. W. Sisk
Brother Arnold Fulp
Brother Sam Holder

Mates Creek Association:

Elder Teddy Ball
Elder H. W. Prater
Brother and Sister Garland Childers

Mountain Association:

Elder R. E. Douglas
Brother and Sister Reeves Douglas
Brother and Sister R. C. Gambill
Brother Arthur Gambill
Brother and Sister Jack Reeves
Brother and Sister John Watson
Brother Clifford Holiway
Sister Carrie Edwards
Sister Lilia Crouse
Sister Madge R. Reeves
Brother and Sister Mart Jenkins
Brother Raymond Nichols
Brother John C. Paisley
Brother and Sister Roscoe Williams
Sister Carrie Hoppers
Brother Troy Clerry
Brother and Sister Arol Choate
Brother Robert Clerry
Brother and Sister Willie Joines
Sister Myrtie Halsey
Sister Matilda Farmer

Mt. Zion Association:
Sister Luther Easter

New Liberty Association: W. Va.
Elder J. M. Whaling and Sister J. M. Whaling

Echeeconee Association: Macon, Ga.
Elder C. E. Darity

Prince William Association: S. C.
Elder C. J. Deloach
Elder W. H. Anderson
Brother Charlie Crapse

Union Association: Ga.
Brother and Sister E. A. Tison
Elder J. A. Bonnard and Sister J. A. Bonnard

Pilgrims Rest Association: Fla.
Elder J. R. World

Independent Churches:
Worlds Memorial Church: Fla.
Elder Wilmer World

Piney Ridge Church:
Brother William Johnson

St. Clairs Bottom Church:
Brother R. C. Price
Brother Don Blevins
Brother John Crest

Sixth: The Moderator make all temporary appointments in this session. The appointments are as follows:

1. To preach at stand:
Elder J. A. Bonnard
Elder J. M. Whaling
Elder Edd Douglas

2. Committee on Ministry:
Brother T. E. Hartzog

Elder Edd Severt
Brother J. B. Roten

3. Committee on Finance:
Brother G. E. Kilby
Brother Bob Speaks
Brother Gaither Johnson

4. Committee on Arrangements:
Elder G. D. Roten
Brother Tom Severt
Brother Ralph Miller
Brother Clifford McNeill

Seventh: That the committee on arrangements meet in church after Association work closes.

Eighth: To adjourn until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow with song and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 1962

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. A. Bonnard, visitor, from the Union Association, Ga.

On Motion:

First: Roll called, absentees excused.

Second: Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

Third: The committee on arrangements recomends on the account of the present trouble of our correspondence we drop all correspondence and seat all orderly peace loving Primitive Baptists as visitors.

Fourth: That correspondents to Sister Associations report. Reports acknowledged, those who failed excused.

Fifth: Continue correspondence with Powell's Valley Association through minutes approved.

Sixth: Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in Minutes.

Seventh: To appoint the Clerk as treasurer for over-

seeing printing for six hundred minutes, also the distribution of same.

Eighth: The Finance committee handle the balance of the funds and distribute same, to corresponding and visiting Elders.

Ninth: Next Association tc convene at River View Church. Beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1963.

Elder Wiley Hester to deliver introductory sermon.

Elder Edd Severt, alternate.

Tenth: Obituaries to appear in minutes.

Eleventh: Minutes be read and approved.

Twelfth: Finance committee reported, as follows:

Returned from last year	$ 33.00
Received from Churches	135.50
Total revenue	$168.50
Expenditures:	
Moderator	$ 10.00
Clerk	10.00
Printing and postage of minutes	70.00
Total expenditures	$ 90.00

Thirteenth: Adjourned through prayer led by Elder Edd Severt and with the Lord's blessings shall gather at the church named above, next session.

Elder Wiley Hester, Moderator
Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday, August 17, 1962. Introductory sermon delivered by Elder G. D. Roten. Text: 12th chapter of Samuel, verses 1 through 8.

Friday Afternoon:
Elder J. A. Bonnard
Elder J. M. Whaling
Elder Edd Douglas

Friday Night at Senter Church:
Elder C. E. Darity
Elder Teddy Ball

Saturday Morning:
Elder J. M. Whaling (opened service)
Elder Walter Evans
Elder C. E. Darity
Elder Teddy Ball

Saturday Afternoon:
Elder D. C. Stover
Elder C. J. Deloch
Elder W. H. Anderson

Saturday Night at Beaver Creek Church:
Elder J. A. Bonnard
Elder C. E. Darity

Sunday Morning:
Elder J. R. World
Elder J. M. Whaling
Elder C. E. Darity

Sunday Afternoon:
Elder J. A. Bonnard
Elder Wilmer World

Elder H. M. Willard from Sandy Creek Church, Greensboro, N. C. closed the three day session through song and prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder W. E. Hester ..... Wilbar, N. C.
Elder Blair Kilby ..... Peach Bottom, Penn.
Elder G. D. Roten ..... West Jefferson, N. C.
Elder Edd Severt ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES

Churches	Clerks and Addresses	Church Messengers
Bear Creek	— Earl W. Severt, Rt. 2	Eld. W. E. Hester

West Jefferson, N. C.	Eld. Edd Severt
	Bro. Earl W. Severt
Beaver Creek — G. A. Miller	Bro. R. L. Speaks
West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. Gaither Johnson
	Bro. Ralph Miller
Big Helton — B. O. Dolinger	Bro. G. E. Kilby
Lansing, N. C.	Bro. R. J. Blevins
	Bro. B. O. Dolinger
Horse Creek — Carl Ball	Bro. Carl Ball
West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. Millard Davis
	Bro. Lee Landreth
North Fork — L. V. Johnson	Bro. L. V. Johnson
West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. J. B. Roten
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River View — T. E. Hartzog	Bro. J. C. McNeill
Fleetwood, N. C.	Bro. C. O. Yates
	Eld. G. D. Roten
Roans Creek — F. T. Miller	Bro. F. O. Thompson
Sparta, N. C.	Bro. Tom Severt
	Sister Millie Lee Burgess
Senter — Rex Jones	Bro. Rex Jones
Crumpler, N. C.	Bro. Bertie Bare
	Bro. Jim Walters

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and No. of Minutes — Clerks and Their Addresses

Bear Creek — 25 ..... Earl W. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
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Horse Creek — 25 ..... Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
North Fork — 30 ..... L. V. Johnson, West Jefferson, N. C.
Riverview — 30 ..... T. E. Hartzog, Fleetwood, N. C.
Roans Creek — 45 ..... F. T. Miller, Sparta, N. C.
Senter — 55 ..... Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and No. of Minutes — Clerks and their Addresses

Ebenezer — 15 ..... Carroll R. Shuler, Stanley, Va.

Fishers River — 20 ..... Curtis Harbour, Rt. 2, Dobson, N. C.
Mates Creek — 20 ..... Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Mountain — 25 ..... Lon Mac Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mt. Zion — 15 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.
Piney Ridge — 15 ..... S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C.
Powells Valley — 15 ..... Clarence Hensley, Pineville, Ky.
Roaring River — 25, John D. Hall, 278 South St., Elkin, N. C.
St. Clairs Bottom — 15 — Quintin P. Dancy, Chilhowie, Va.
United P. B. In Va. — 20 ..... Elder E. S. Salmons, Floyd, Va.
Washington — 25 ..... Elder L. S. Street, Grundy, Va.

WISHING WELL

To our visiting brethren and friends we of the Senter Association wish at this time to thank you most heartily for your grand display publicly in personally attending our recent gathering. We feel and now know you also want to continue in furthering the word of God. There is no better way than was affected by your gracious turnout.

In unity there is strength. Clerk.

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our sister churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches. The dates also listed for your convenience.

Bear Creek ..... 1st Sat. and Sun., May 4th and 5th, 63
Beaver Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., May 25th and 26th, 63
Senter ..... 2nd Sat. and Sun., June 8th and 9th, 63
River View ..... 3rd Sat. and Sun., June 15th and 16th, 63
North Fork ..... 1st Sat. and Sun., July 6th and 7th, 63
Big Helton ..... 3rd Sat. and Sun., July 20th and 21st, 63
Horse Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 27th and 28th, 63
Roans Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 27th and 28th, 63

LEST WE FORGET

In our everyday life of hustle we continually find ourselves forgetting — yes occasionally forgetting even those who when on earth meant so much to us. Especially when

in our trials and tribulations they and they alone seemed the only one of all the people we knew that we could turn to.

Now since through God's Grace they are resting, can but we take time out if only just once a year to make amends for this forgetfulness by sending to us the names you so dearly loved, whereby we all will remember those who preceded us in God's merited slumber.

Do unto others as we would want them to do unto us. . . . Clerk.

Obituaries

IDA MAE JOHNSON

Ida Mae Johnson was born December 13, 1896, departed this life December 25, 1961, making her stay on earth 65 years and 12 days.

She was united in marriage to Adolpus Marion Johnson 19th day of November 1915.

To this union was born five children. Mrs. Edna York, Freeman, W. Va.; Mrs. Lillie Hodge, Switchback, W. Va.; Mr. Paul Johnson, Warrensville, N. C.; and Roscoe Johnson, West Jefferson, N. C. One son, Charlie, died in infancy.

One half brother, Rev. Frank Tucker; 21 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren.

She united with the North Fork Primitive Baptist Church about 37 years ago. Where she remained a most faithful member until her death.

It is hard to give one up who has meant so much to her family and friends, and to the community.

We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

GEORGE W. CAUDILL

George Washington Caudill, 97, of Glendale Springs, N. C. died February 9, 1962, at his home after a brief illness.

He was born in Ashe county to Jerry Caudill and Mary Koontz Caudill.

His wife, the former Rosie Severt, died in 1961.

Surviving are six sons, Ted and Todd Caudill, both of Glendale Springs, N. C.; Robert Caudill of Powell, Wyo.; Felix Caudill of Columbus, Ohio.; Darius Caudill of Concord, N. C.; Ed Caudill of Greensboro, Md.; and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Burgess of West Jefferson, N. C.

Mr. Caudill was a member of Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church for 50 years. His deep-seated principles of Christian faith made him outstanding in the church, never deviating but always strong in expressing salvation by the Grace of God.

He is missed by all, but we feel our loss is His Eternal Gain.

S. J. MILLER

S. J. Miller was born November 23, 1874, departed this life January 1, 1957.

Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Adelaide Phillips March 31, 1909, to this union was born five children, two of which preceded him in death in infancy. Surviving are three sons, Presley Miller and Paul Miller of West Jefferson, N. C., Carl Miller of Glendale Springs, N. C.; six grandchildren, seven great grandchildren. A host of other relatives and friends to mourn our loss.

Mr. Miller joined the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church in 1913, where he, a few years later, became clerk of the church who remained a good faithful and devoted member and clerk until death. Also he was firm in his belief, never deviating, but always strong in expressing salvation alone by the Grace of God.

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ELDER ED DAVIS

Lansing, N. C.
August 14, 1962

Brethren and Sisters,

We wish to thank the members of the Senter Association and many friends who made a contribution to the monument of the late Elder Ed Davis and especially to Brother G. E. Kilby and Elder G. D. Roten for this kind and devoted service during these hours of trouble. Also we would like to thank all those for their kind and sympathizing words and for the many flowers

We believe that Elder Davis was a man who gave much to the welfare and being of this Association and was a man worthy of our remembrance. We believe that he fought a good fight, that he kept the faith; that in matters concerning the church he was free from the blood of all men.

Thank you,
Ed Davis Family.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.
6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent him-

self from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.

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11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

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13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton and also from the Three Fork Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Fork Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by their respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church 21st October, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

Article 1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

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their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead, since the last Association.

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Horse Creek — Elder Dewey Roten.
North Fork — Elder Dewey Roten, Elder Mathis, Elder Wiley Hester.
Riverview — Elder Dewey Roten.
Roans Creek — Elder Wiley Hester and Elder Ed Severt.
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Horse Creek	4									23	8.00
North Fork	1			2					3	28	30.00
River View	3	1		1	1		2			29	16.00
Roans Creek	4								1	50	19.00
Senter	2		1			1			2	70	20.00
Total		4	1	6	1	1	2		9	309	$135.50

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Held At Riverview Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1963

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. H. Blackburn, from the Mates Creek Association, Ky.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Wiley Hester. Text: Songs of Solomon, 8th chapter, 5th verse.

After twenty minute interval the messengers assembled in the church, called to order with song and prayer by Elder L. V. Bagley from the Union Association, Ga.

On Motion:

First: Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

Second: The Association appointed Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

Third: Call for petition letters, received none.

Fourth: Called for Transient and Visitors from Sister Associations and Churches, the following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association: N. C.

Elder C. B. Kilby
Elder R. E. Douglas
Elder Walter Evans
Brother and Sister Willie Joines
Brother and Sister John Watson
Brother and Sister J. M. Osborne
Brother Lester Erwin
Brother A. J. Reeves
Brother G. R. Douglas
Brother Raymond Nichols
Brother and Sister Lon M. Reeves
Sister Lella Crouse
Sister Carrie Edwards
Brother and Sister M. A. Jenkins

Sister Pearle Shaver
Sister Madge Rheedy

Mt. Zion Association: W. Va.
Brother and Sister Lester Davis

Mates Creek Association: Ky.
Elder Teddy Ball
Elder J. H. Blackburn and Wife
Elder Frank Wheeler and Wife
Brother Ira Smith, Wife and Son
Brother Harrison Street
Sister Bessie Wilson
Sister Fannie Ball

New Liberty Association: W. Va.
Elder J. M. Whaling and Wife

Prince William Association: S. C.
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Brother John Crapse

Union Association: Ga.
Elder L. V. Bagley and Wife

United Primitive Baptist Association: Va.
Elder Ray Rotenizer
Elder S. S. Walker
Brother L. H. Shockley
Brother Hermon Felts
Brother Leonard Myers

Old Collins Association: Tenn.
Elder Avery Land and Wife

West Texas Association: Texas
Brother Lynn H. Russell

Suwannee Association: Fla.
Elder Percy Ming and Wife

Mt. Enon Association: Fla.
Elder Paul R. Mann and Wife

Original Towaliga Association: Ga.
Sister Ruth Huffman

Independent Churches:
Mont-View Church: N. C.
Brother D. Burroughs

St. Clairs Bottom Church:
Brother R. C. Price and Wife
Sister Ada Walton

Piney Ridge Church: N. C.
Brother W. C. Johnson

Worrell Memorial Church: Va.
Elder Wilbur F. Worrell and Wife

Pilgrims Rest Church:
Elder Tom Ward
Elder George Presnell
Brother Archie Matherson
Brother and Sister Carrol Tester

Sixth: The Moderator make all temporary appointments in this session.

1. Committee on Ministry:
Brother Carl Ball
Brother Gaither Blevins
Elder W. E. Hester

2. Committee on Finance:
Brother G. E. Kilby
Brother Bob Speaks
Brother Gaither Johnson

3. Committee on Arrangements:
Elder W. E. Hester
Brother Tom Severt

Brother B. O. Dolinger
Brother Wiley Severt

Seventh: That the committee on arrangements meet in church after association work closes.

Eighth: To adjourn until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow with song and prayer by Elder Frank Wheeler, from the Mates Creek Association.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1963

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. M. Whaling from the New Liberty Association.

On Motion:

First: Roll called, absentees excused.

Second: Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

Third: The committee on arrangements recommends that we adopt the rule of seating all orderly peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors.

Fourth: Continue Correspondence with Powell's Valley Association through minutes approved.

Fifth: Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in minutes.

Sixth: That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

Seventh: To appoint the clerk as treasurer for overseeing printing of six hundred minutes, also the distribution of same.

Eighth: The finance committee handle the balance of the funds and distribute same, to visiting Elders.

Ninth: Next Association to convene at North Fork Church. Beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1964. Located about three miles West of Warrensville, N. C.

Elder G. D. Roten to deliver introductory sermon.

Elder Wiley Hester, alternate.

Tenth: Obituaries to appear in minutes.

Eleventh: Minutes be read and approved.

Twelfth: Finance committee reported, as follows.

Returned from last year	$ 10.00
Received from Churches	$135.50
Total Revenue	$145.50

Expenditures:

Moderator	$ 10.00
Clerk	$ 15.00
Printing and postage of minutes	$ 60.00
Total expenditures	$ 85.00

Thirteenth: Adjourned through prayer led by Elder G. D. Roten and with the Lord's blessings shall gather at the church named above, next session.

Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator
Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday, August 16, 1963. Introductory sermon delivered by Elder Wiley Hester. Text: Songs of Solomon, 8th chapter, 5th verse.

Friday at stand:
Elder S. S. Walker
Elder Ray Rotenizer
Elder Edd Douglas
Elder Charlie Kilby

Friday Night at Riverview Church:
Elder Teddy Ball
Elder W. H. Blackburn

Saturday Morning at stand:
Elder Wilbur Worrell
Elder Frank Wheeler
Elder W. H. Anderson
Elder Teddy Ball

Saturday Afternoon at stand:
Elder Avery Land
Elder Walter Evans

Saturday Night at Riverview Church:
Elder L. V. Bagley
Elder Wilbur Worrell
Elder Paul R. Mann

Sunday Morning at stand:
Elder Percy Ming
Elder C. J. Deloach
Elder J. H. Blackburn

Sunday Afternoon at stand:
Elder Wilbur Worrell
Elder G. D. Roten

Sunday Night at Riverview Church:
Elder Paul R. Mann

Elder G. D. Roten moderator closed the three day session through song and prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder W. E. Hester ..... Wilbar, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder Edd Severt ..... Laurel Springs, N. C.

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Riverview — C. O. Yates Fleetwood, N. C.	Lic. C. O. Yates Bro. Clifford McNeil Eld. G. D. Roten Alt. Bro. T. E. Hartzog
Roans Creek — Mrs. Oscar Burgess West Jefferson, N. C.	Bro. Frank Thompson Bro. Tom Severt Bro. G. L. Mash
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Mt. Zion — 20 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.
Piney Grove — 20 ..... S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C.
Powells Valley — 20 ..... Clarence Hensley, Pineville, Ky.
United P. B. In Va. — 20 .... Elder E. S. Salmons, Floyd, Va.

WISHING WELL

To our visiting brethren and friends we of the Senter Association wish at this time to thank you most heartily for your grand display publicly in personally attending our recent gathering. We feel and now know you also want to continue in furthering the word of God. There is no better way than was affected by your gracious turnout.

In unity there is strength. Clerk.

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our sister churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches. The dates also listed for your convenience.

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North Fork ..... 1st Sat. and Sun., July 4th and 5th, 64
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Horse Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 25th and 26th, 64
Roans Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 25th and 26th, 64

LEST WE FORGET

In our everyday life of hustle we continually find ourselves forgetting — yes occasionally forgetting even those who when on earth meant so much to us. Especially when in our trials and tribulations they and they alone seemed

the only one of all the people we knew that we could turn to.

Now since through God's Grace they are resting, can but we take time out if only just once a year to make amends for this forgetfulness by sending to us the names you so dearly loved, whereby we all will remember those who preceded us in God's merited slumber.

Do unto others as we would want them to do unto us.

Clerk.

Obituaries

GEORGE ROBERT MASH

George Robert Mash, 86 of Fleetwood, N. C. died August 2, 1963, at the home of Gaither Severt. He had been in declining health for about three year, seriously ill for 2 weeks.

He was united in marriage to Ida Miller, who preceded him in death.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. J. G. Severt, of Fleetwood, N. C.; Mrs. R. C. Oliver, of North Wilkesboro, N. C.; Mrs. J. H. Severt, of West Jefferson, N. C.; one son, Mr. Donald Mash, of Glendale Springs, N. C.; 21 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

He united with the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church, July 26, 1961. Due to sickness he was never able to attend church, but was always mindful of his profession.

He is missed by all, we feel our loss is his eternal gain.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in

his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member. Provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton and also from the Three Fork Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Fork Association, at their annual

meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by their respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church 21st October, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association .

Article 1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointments, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead, since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any classical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist church of Jesus Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any sister Association, upon application by letter and delegates, shall be admitted into our union.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented to the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the number of the proceedings, the best

method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a yearly compensation for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general union of churches, to endeavor to preserve a change of communion among the churches, to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the gospel.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will ability.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the holy spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe the only true mode of baptism is by immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

CHURCHES — PASTORS

Bear Creek — Elder Dewey Roten, Elder Wiley Hester, Elder Ed Severt.

Beaver Creek — Elder Dewey Roten.

Big Helton — Elder Dewey Roten.

Horse Creek — Elder Dewey Roten.

North Fork — Elder Dewey Roten, and Elder Wiley Hester.

Riverview — Elder Dewey Roten.

Roans Creek — Elder Wiley Hester, Elder Ed Severt, and Elder A. T. Whittington.

Senter — Elder Dewey Roten.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Sat. of Church Meeting	Ordained Elders	Licenates	Rec'd by Exp. and Bap.	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions
Bear Creek	1	2							1	23	$ 10.00
Beaver Creek	4								1	22	10.00
Big Helton	3						3		1	58	22.50
Horse Creek	4									23	8.00
North Fork	1									27	30.00
Riverview	3	1	2							29	16.00
Roans Creek	4								1	49	19.00
Senter	2			1					4	67	20.00
Total		3	2	1			3		8	298	$135.50

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Proceedings

Of The Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Held At North Fork Church.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 1964

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder F. C. Cadle from the Mt. Zion Association, W. Va.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Walter Evans from the Mountain Association. Text: Isaiah 38: 14. Like a crane or a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourn as a dove: mine eyes fail with looking upward: O Lord, I am oppressed; undertake for me.

After fifteen minute interval the messengers assembled in the church, called to order with song and prayer by Elder Gene Thomas from the Mud Creek Association, Ala.

On Motion:

First: Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

Second: The Association appoint Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

Third: Call for petition letters, received none.

Fourth: Called for Transient and Visiting Brethern and Sisters from Sister Associations and Churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association: N. C.

Elder Walter Evans
Elder Edd Douglas
Brother Ramond Nichols and wife
Brother Gwyn Sanders and wife
Brother M. A. Jenkins and wife
Brother Lon M. Reeves and wife
Brother R. C. Gambill and wife
Brother Willie Joines and wife
Brother G. R. Douglas and wife
Brother A. J. Reeves and wife

Sister Carrie Edwards
Sister Matilda Farmer
Brother Guy Waddell and wife
Brother Robert Cleary
Brother Roscoe Williams
Brother Troy Cleary

Mt. Zion Association: W. Va.
Elder F. C. Cadle
Sister Peggy Cadle
Elder J. R. Lilly

Mates Creek Association: Ky.
Elder J. H. Blackburn and wife
Brother Johnny Stiltner and wife
Sister Ira Smith

New Liberty Association: W. Va.
Elder J. M. Whaling
Sister Mamie Whaling

Prince William Association: S. C.
Elder C. J. De Loach
Sister Betty (Mrs. C. J. De Loach)
Brother Timothy De Loach

Mud Creek Association: Ala.
Elder Gene Thomas
Sister Ann Thomas
Brother Mark Thomas

Independent Churches:
St. Clairs Bottom Church: Va.
Brother Fred W. Cress
Brother John S. Cress
Brother Dan C. Blevins

Salisbury Church: N. C.
Brother M. G. Mauldin

No Creek Church: N. C.
Sister M. G. Mauldin

Sixth: The Moderator make all temporary appointments in this session.

1. Committee on Ministry:
Elder Wiley Hester
Elder C. O. Yates
Elder Jack Mc Ginnis

2. Committee on Finance:
Brother Bob Speaks
Brother B. O. Dolinger
Brother Lester Johnson

3. Committee on Arrangements:
Brother Gaither Johnson
Brother Tom Severt
Brother Bob Blevins
Brother Lester Wyrick
Brother G. O. Blevins

Seventh: That the committee on arrangements meet in church after Association work closes.

Eighth: To adjourn until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow with song and prayer by Elder J. H. Blackburn, from the Mates Creek Association, Ky.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 1964

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder Walter Evans from the Mountain Association, N. C.

On Motion:

First: Roll called, absentees excused.

Second: Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

Third: The committee on arrangements recommend

that we continue seating all orderly peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors.

Fourth: Continue Correspondence with Powell's Valley Association through minutes approved.

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Elder G. D. Roten to deliver introductory sermon.

Elder Wiley Hester, alternate.

Tenth: Obituaries to appear in minutes.

Eleventh: Minutes be read and approved.

Twelfth: Finance committee reported, as follows.

Received from Churches	$167.00
Expenditures:	
Moderator	$ 10.00
Clerk	$ 15.00
Printing and postage of minutes	$ 65.00
Total expenditures	$ 90.00

Thirteenth: Adjourned through song and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten and with the Lord's blessings shall gather at the church named above, next session.

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ORDER OF PREACHING

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Friday night at Riverview Church:
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Elder Walter Evans

Saturday morning at stand:
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Elder F. C. Cadle
Elder Gene Thomas

Saturday evening in church:
Elder Gene Thomas, introduced
Elder J. M. Whaling
Elder J. R. Lilly
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Saturday night at Senter Church:
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Sunday afternoon in church:
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Big Helton ..... 3rd Sat. and Sun., July 17th and 18th, 65

Roans Creek ..... 4th Sat. and Sun., July 24th and 25th, 65

Obituaries

JASON WEAVER SPENCER

Jason Weaver Spencer was born April 19, 1875, departed this life January 12, 1964, making his stay here 88 years, 8 months, and 7 days.

He was married to Ida Cynthis Weiss who preceded him in death. To this union were born eight children: three daughters, Mrs. Grant Eller of Lansing, Mrs. Clarence Hash of Grassy Creek and Mrs. Charlie Nichols of Winston-Salem; five sons, Frank Spencer of Bluefield, West Va., Reeves Spencer of Bel Air, Md., and Ray, John, and Austin Spencer of Lansing; 21 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

He also leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing. He bore his suffering with patience, leaving the testimony that he wasn't afraid to die and was ready to go.

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no mourning at the bar,
When I put out to sea.

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound or foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep,
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark,
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark.

For tho' out bourne of time and place,
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face,
When I have crossed the bar.

MRS. EMMA LOUISE OLIVER

Mrs. Emma Louise Oliver, 58, of North Wilkesboro, N. C. formerly of West Jefferson, N. C., passed away October, 1963, after a brief illness in the Wilkes General Hospital. She was the daughter of George Robert and Ida Mash and was born in Ashe county March 4, 1905.

Survivors include her husband, Clint Oliver; one daughter, Mrs. Wade Childress of Taylorsville, N. C.; two sons, Blaine Oliver of Huntersville and Donald C. Oliver of Millers Creek, N. C.; seven grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. J. G. Severt and Mrs. Hilt Severt of Glendale Springs, N. C. and one brother, Don Mash of Glendale Springs.

Mrs. Oliver united with the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church, July 26, 1961. She had been in declining health for several years, she was never able to attend church very much after she joined but she was always mindful of her profession. We feel our loss is her eternal gain.

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Roans Creek	4							3	1	45	15.00
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Total		5	1	10		2		4	8	291	$166.00

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Of The Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Held At Bear Creek Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 1965

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. H. Blackburn from the Mates Creek Association, Ky.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Leonard J. Corns from the Spoon Creek Church, Va. Text: 1st Chapter of Pauls letter to the Ephesians.

On Motion:

First: Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

Second: The Association appoint Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

Third: Call for petition letters, received none.

Fourth: Called for Transient and visiting Brethern and Sisters from Sister Associations and Churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome.

Mountain Association: N. C.

Elder Walter Evans
Deacon M. A. Jenkins
Sister M. A. Jenkins
Brother Lon M. Reeves
Sister Madge Reeves
Brother Guy Waddell and wife
Brother Clark Evans
Brother Claude S. McBride and wife
Brother Charlie Edwards
Brother Troy Cleary
Brother Robert Cleary
Brother R. C. Gambill and wife
Brother Willie Joines and wife
Brother J. Mack Osborne and wife
Brother Gwyn Sanders and wife

Elder Edd Douglas
Brother A. J. Reeves and wife
Brother G. R. Douglas and wife

Mt. Zion Association, W. Va.
Elder J. R. Lilly

Mates Creek Association, Ky.
Elder J. H. Blackburn and wife
Brother and Sister Adrien Datson

Mud Creek Association, Ala.
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Original Bear Creek Association, N. C.
Elder E. H. Simpson

United Primitive Baptist Association, Va.
Elder Cecil Hill and wife

Independent Churches:
Abbots Creek Church, N. C.
Brother B. R. Dillard

St. Clairs Bottom Church, Va.
Brother Leonard H. Davis and wife
Brother D. C. Blevins

Pilgrims Rest Church, N. C.
Elder Tom Ward

Meadow Fork Church, N. C.
Elder Calvin Whittington and wife

Walnut Cove Church, N. C.
Elder F. R. Moore

Spoon Creek Church, Va.
Elder Leonard J. Corns

Worrell Memorial Church, Va.
Elder Wilbur F. Worrell and wife

Saints Delight Church, N. C.
Elder J. A. Langham

Montview Church, N. C.
Brother F. A. King

Fifth: The Moderator make all temporary appointments in this session.

1. Committee on Ministry:
Brother G. O. Burgess
Elder Wiley Hester
Brother Bertie Bare

2. Committee on Finance:
Brother Gaither Johnson
Elder C. O. Yates
Brother B. O. Dolinger

3. Committee on Arrangements:
Elder Jack McGinnis
Brother Lester Johnson
Brother Abner Severt

Sixth: That the committee on Arrangements meet in Church house Saturday morning 9:00 a. m. for conference.

Seventh: To adjourn until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow with song and prayer by Elder Walter Evans from the Mountain Association.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 1965

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder Gene Thomas from the Mud

Creek Association, Ala.

On Motion:

First: Roll called, absentees excused.

Second: Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

Third: The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors.

Fourth: Continue Correspondence with Powell's Valley Association through minutes approved.

Fifth: Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in minutes.

Sixth: That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

Seventh: To appoint the clerk as treasurer for overseeing printing of six hundred minutes, also distribution of same.

Eighth: The Finance committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

Ninth: Next Association to convene at Senter Church. Beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1966. Located about eight miles Northeast of Jefferson, N. C. just off Highway 221, near Nathan's Creek School on Friday, before the third Sunday in August 19, 20 and 21, 1966. Elder Wiley Hester to deliver introductory sermon. Elder G. D. Roten, Alternate.

Tenth: Obituaries to appear in minutes.

Eleventh: Minutes be read and approved.

Twelfth: Finance committee reported, as follows:

Received from Churches	$175.00
Expenditures:	
Moderator	$ 10.00

Clerk	$ 15.00
Printing and postage of minutes	$ 65.00
Total expenditures	$ 90.00

Thirteenth: Adjourned through song and prayer by Elder Leonard Corns from the Spoon Creek Church, Va. and with the Lord's blessings shall gather at the church named above, next session.

Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator
Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday at stand:
Elder Edd Douglas
Elder F. R. Moore
Elder E. H. Simpson

Friday Night at Bear Creek Church:
Elder Wilbur Worrell
Elder Gene Thomas

Saturday morning:
Elder Gene Thomas, introduced
Elder J. R. Lilly
Elder J. H. Blackburn
Elder Leonard J. Corns

Saturday evening:
Elder Gene Thomas
Elder Edd Douglas
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Saturday night at North Fork Church:
Elder Tom Ward
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Sunday morning:
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Sunday evening:
Elder G. D. Roten preached and also closed the Association with song and prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
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CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES

Churches	Clerks and Addresses	Church Messengers
Bear Creek	— Earl W. Severt 4798 N. Cherry St. Winston-Salem, N. C.	Elder Edd Severt Brother Earl W. Severt Brother Abner Severt Alt. Elder Wiley Hester
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Ebenezer — 25 ..... Carroll R. Shuler, Stanley, Va.
Mates Creek — 25 ..... Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.
Mountain — 25 ..... Lon M. Reeves, Sparta, N. C.
Mt. Zion — 25 ..... J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.
Piney Grove — 25 ..... S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C.
Powell's Valley — 25 ..... Ray Wells, 113 Melbourne Rd. Oak Ridge, Tenn.
United P. B. — 25 ..... Elder Allen Easter, Hillsville, Va.

WISHING WELL

To our visiting brethren and friends we of the Senter Association wish at this time to thank you most heartily for your grand display publicly in personally attending our recent gathering.

In unity there is strength. Clerk.

COMMUNION MEETINGS

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OFFICERS

ELDER G. D. ROTEN ..... Moderator
Fleetwood, N. C.

BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT ..... Clerk
4798 N. Cherry St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

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OF THE SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HELD AT SENTER CHURCH

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The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder Frank Wheeler from the Mates Creek Association, of Kentucky. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder F. R. Moore from the Walnut Cove Church, North Carolina, text Joel 2:15: Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly. After a short intermission the Association was called to order by song and prayer by Elder Walter Evans of the Mountain Association, of North Carolina.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

2. The Association appointed Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

3. Call for petitionary letters, received none.

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Silver Creek Association: Elder Gene F. Watson.

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Mississippi River Association, Tenn.: Brother G. E. Rushing.

Flint River Association, Ga.: Elder W. T. Cook.

Union Association, Ga.: Elder J. A. Barnard and wife, Bro. E. A. Tison and wife.

New Liberty Association, W. Va.: Elder J. M. Whaling and wife.

Independent Churches:

Walnut Cove Church, N. C.: Elder F. R. Moore, Brother R. J. Snyder.

Worrell Memorial Church, Va.: Elder Wilbur F. Worrell.

Montview Church, N. C.: Brother Frank A. King.

Loves Grove Church, N. C.: Elder R. L. Rogers, Brother R. L. and Hattie East.

St. Clairs Bottom Church, Va.: Brother R. C. Price and wife, Brother Dan Blevins.

Meadow Fork Church, N. C.: Brother Fosco Pruitt.

Reddies River Church, N. C.: Brother Dobie Whittington, Sister P. H. Whittington, Sister Dollie Wagner.

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

(1) Committee on Ministry: Eder Jack McGinnis, Brother G. O. Burgess, Brother Frank Thompson.

(2) Committee on Finance: Elder Wiley Hester, Brother Gaither Johnson, Brother Willard Hartzog.

(3) Brother Millard Davis, Brother Jim Walters, Elder G. D. Roten, Brother Earl W. Severt.

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet in the house Saturday morning 9:30 a. m. for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10 a. m. tomorrow with song and prayer by Elder Gene Thomas from the Mud Creek Association, Ala.

SATURDAY, August 20, 1966.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. H. Blackburn from the Mates Creek Association, Kentucky.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll called, absentees excused.

2. Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors.

4. Continue correspondence with Powells Valley Association through Minutes approved.

5. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in Minutes.

6. That Minutes be mailed to all visitors.

7. To appoint the Clerk as Treasurer for overseeing printing of 600 copies of the Minutes, also distribution of same.

8. The Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

9. Next Association to convene at Big Helton Church, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1967. Located about six miles north of Lansing, N. C. Take highway 194 to Sturgills, N. C., turn left, go about one mile, church on left side of road. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 18, 19, and 20, 1967.

10. Obituaries to appear in Minutes.

11. Minutes to be read and approved.

12. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$172.00
Expenditures:	
To the Moderator	$ 10.00
To the Clerk	15.00
Printing and postage of Minutes	65.00
Total expenditures	90.00

13. Adjourned through song and prayer by Elder D. B. Willard, from the Original Bear Creek Association, N. C.

ELDER G. D. ROTEN, Moderator

BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Cerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday at Stand:
Elder E. H. Simpson, Elder Wilbur Worrell, Elder J. M. Whaling closed

Friday Night at Senter Church:
Elder J. M. Whaling, Elder J. H. Blackburn

Saturday at Stand:
Elder Gene Thomas, opened service, Elder J. A. Barnard, Elder W. T. Cook, Elder Walter Evans

Saturday Evening:
Elder Gene F. Watson, opened service, Elder Frank Wheeler, Elder Gene Thomas, Elder D. B. Willard, Elder D. C. Stover

Saturday Night at Senter Church:
Elder J. A. Barnard, Elder Gene Thomas

Sunday Morning:
Elder Frank Wheeler, opened service, Elder J. H. Blackburn, Elder Gene Thomas, Elder C. J. DeLoach

Sunday Evening:
Elder R. L. Rogers, Elder Walter Evans
Elder G. D. Roten closed the three day session with song and prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten, Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder W. E. Hester, Wilbar, N. C.
Elder Edd Severt, Ennice, N. C.
Elder C. O. Yates, Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder Jack McGinnis, 511 6th St., North Wilkesboro, N.C.
Lic. Woodrow Craft, Fleetwood, N. C.
Lic. Floyd F. South, West Jefferson, N. C.

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Churches — Clerks and Addresses — Church Messengers

Bear Creek—Earl W. Severt, 4798 N. Vheery St., Winston Salem, N.C. Elder Edd Severt, Brother Earl W. Severt, Elder Wiley Hester, Bro. Abner Severt, alternate.

Beaver Creek—G. A. Miller, West Jefferson, N. C.; Lic. Floyd F. South, Brother Gaither Johnson, Brother Ralph Miller, Brother Clarence Brown, alternate.

Big Helton—B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C.; Brother G. E. Gilby, Brother B. O. Dolinger, Sister Emma Dolinger, alternate.

Horse Creek—Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.; Brother Carl Ball, Brother Millard Davis, .

North Fork—L. V. Johnson, West Jefferson, N. C.;Sister Bessie Miller, Brother J. B. Roten, Sister Carrie W. Miller.

Riverview—C. O. Yates, Fleetwood, N. C.; Brother Willard Hartzog, Brother J. C. McNeill, Elder Jack McGinnis, Brother Claude Brown, alternate.

Roans Creek—G. O. Burgess, West Jefferson, N. C.; Brother G. O. Burgess, Brother Tom Severt, Brother G. L. Mash, Brother Frank Thompson, alternate.

Senter—Annie Jones, Crumpler, N. C.; Brother Bertie Bare, Brother Norman Brown, Bother Lester Wyrick, Bro. Jim Walters, alternate.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

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Riverview: C. O. Yates, Fleetwood, N. C. 30
Roans Creek: G. O. Burgess, West Jefferson, N. C. 45
Senter: Annie Jones, Crumpler, N. C. 55

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Ebenezer: Carroll R. Shuler, Stanley, Va. 25
Mates Creek: Stearl Hatfiled, McCarr, Ky. 25
Mountain: Lon M. Reeves, Sparta, N. C. 25
Mt. Zion, J. R. Lilly, Box 345, Hinton, W. Va. 25
Piney Grove: S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C. 25
Powells Valley, Ray Wells, 113 Melbourne Rd. Oak Ridge, Tenn. 25
United P. B.: Elder Allen Easter, Hillsville, Va. 25

WISHING WELL

To our visiting brethren and friends we of the Senter Association wish at this time to thank you most heartily for you grand display publicly in personally attending our recent gathering.

In unity there is strength. —Clerk

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches and dates:

Bear Creek—1st Sat. and Sun. May, 6 and 7, 1966
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Senter—2nd Sat. & Sun. June 10, 11, 1969
Riverview—3rd Sat. & Sun. June 17, 18, 1967
Horse Creek—4th Sat. & Sun. June 24, 25, 1967
North Fork—1st Sat. & Sun. July 1, 2, 1967
Big Helton—3rd Sat. & Sun. July 15, 16, 1967
Roans Creek—4th Sat. & Sun. July 22, 23, 1967

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Jane Mash

Sister Mash was born November 6, 1876, she died December 19, 1965, making her stay on earth 89 years, 1 month, 13 days.

Funeral service held at Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Tuesday, December 21, 1965 by Elder G. D. Roten.

Sister Mash joined the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church about 1915, where she remained a faithful member until death.

We feel our loss is her eternal gain.

Adolphus Marion Johnson

Brother Johnson was born in Ashe County, April 21, 1898, the son of Avery and Bina Miller Johnson. He died November 28, 1965, making his stay on earth 67 years, 10 months and 7 days.

He professed a hope in Christ October 9, 1960 and joined the North Fork Primitive Baptist Church where he remained a faithful member until the death angel so suddenly called him home.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall faily state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.
6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.
7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.
8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.
9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.
10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.
11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.
12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.
13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton, and also from the Three Forks Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork, and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Forks Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by the respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church October 21, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any sister Association, upon application by letter and delegates, shall be admitted into our union.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented to the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of the proceedings, the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a yearly compensation for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made

at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general union of churches, to endeavor to preserve a chain of communion among the churches, to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the gospel.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will or ability.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe the only true mode of baptism is by immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Sat. of Meeting	Ordained Elders	Licensed Gifts	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contributions
Bear Creek	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	22	$18.00
Beaver Creek	4	....	1	4	....	....	....	1	1	25	21.00
Big Helton	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	55	26.00
Horse Creek	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	18	10.00
North Fork	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	24	24.00
Riverview	3	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	36	23.00
Roans Creek	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	45	25.00
Senter	2	....	....	2	....	1	3	....	1	63	25.00
Totals		5	2	6	....	1	3	....	5	288	172.00

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Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Fourteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Senter District

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Big Helton Church

ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,
AUGUST 18, 19 AND 20,

1967

Next session convenes with Senter Church, located about 8 miles Northeast of Jefferson, N. C., just off highway 221, near Nathan's Creek School, on Friday before the second Sunday in September 6, 7 and 8, 1968.

OFFICERS

ELDER G. D. ROTEN ..... Moderator
Fleetwood, N. C.

BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT ..... Clerk
4798 N. Cherry St., Winston Salem, N. C. 27105

Primitive Publications, Rt. 2, Elon College, N. C. 27244

Proceedings

OF THE SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HELD AT BIG HELTON CHURCH

FRIDAY—August 18, 1967

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder Donald B. Hazen from the Mt. Enon Association, Florida.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder J. H. Blackburn from the Mates Creek Association, Ky., text Romans 8:29: For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

2. The Association appointed Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

3. Call for petitionary letters. Received none.

4. Called for transient and visiting brethren and sisters from sister Associations and churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association, N. C.: Elder Walter Evans, Elder C. C. Sawyers, Bro. M. A. Jenkins and wife, Bro. Robert Cleary, Brother Lon M. Reeves and wife, Brother Troy Cleary, Brother Charlie Edwards, Brother Roscoe Williams, Brother J. Mack Osborne, Brother Clarence Ward, Brother Fred Hawks, Lic. Elmer Sparks, Brother Greene Ward, Brother Garnett Bold.

Mt. Zion Association, W. Va.: Elder D. C. Stover, Brother Larry Stover.

Mates Creek Association, Ky.: Elder J. H. Blackburn and wife, Brother Robie Lewis, Brother Ira Smith, Brother Lee B. Stiltner, Brother Johnnie H. Stiltner and wife, Brother Delbert Underwood and wife.

Pilgrims Rest Association, Fla.: Sister Cornelia Keen, Brother R. L. Keen.

Mt. Enon Association, Fla.: Elder Donald B. Hazen and wife.

Silver Creek Association, N. C.: Elder Gene F. Watson.

Independent Churches:

Walnut Cove Church, N. C.: Elder F. R. Moore, Brother R. J. Snyder.

Chestnut Grove Church, Va.: Elder H. B. Thomas.

Spoon Creek Church, Va.: Elder Leonard J. Corns.

St. Clairs Bottom Church, Va.: Lic. Hugh Blevins, Brother L. H. Davis and wife, Brother Wiley B. Breer and wife, Sister Nelia Price, Brother Dan C. Blevins, Brother Fred W. Cress, Brother R. C. Price.

Montview Church, N. C.: Brother Frank A. King.

Bel Air Carmel Church, Md.: Brother Garry Blevins, Brother Everett Bare and wife, Sister Sibyl L. Davis.

Saints Delight Chuch, N. C.: Brother Tyrus Manuel, Sister Lillian Manuel.

Harmony Grove Church, Va.: Elder Reuben Hawks, Jr.

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

(1) Committee on Finance: Elder C. O. Yates, Brother Gaither Johnson, Brother Willard Hartzog.

(2) Committee on Arrangements: Elder Jack McGinnis, Elder Wiley Hester, Brother B. O. Dolinger, Brother G. O. Blevins.

3. Committee on Ministry: Brother G. O. Burgess, Brother Lester Johnson, Brother Tom Fowler.

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet in the church house Saturday morning 9:30 a. m. for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a. m. tomorrow with song and prayer by Elder F. R. Moore from the Walnut Cove Church, N. C.

SATURDAY—August 19, 1967

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder Gene F. Watson, from the Silver Creek Association, N. C.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll called, absentees excused.

2. Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors. The Associations to be held Friday before the second Sunday in September. To held the Association each year at Senter Church.

4. Continue Correspondence with Powells Valley Association through minutes approved.

5. Rules of Decorum, and Constitution to appear in minutes.

6. That Minutes be mailed to all visitors.

7. To appoint the Clerk as Treasurer for overseeing printing of 600 copies of the Minutes, also distribution of same.

8. The Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

9. Next Association to convene at Senter Church, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1968. Located about eight miles northeast of Jefferson, N. C. just off highway 221, near Nathan's Creek School. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 6, 7 and 8, 1968.

10. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

11. Minutes to be read and approved.

12. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$200.00
Expenditures:	
To the Moderator	10.00
To the Clerk	15.00
Printing and postage of minutes	75.00
Total Expenditures	$100.00

13. Adjourned through song and prayer by Elder H. B. Thomas from the Chestnut Grove Church, Va.

ELDER G. D. ROTEN, Moderator
BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Evening at Stand:

Elder C. C. Sawyers, opened service.
1. Elder Donald B. Hazen, text, John 1:17
2. Elder F. R. Moore, text Zechariah 6:12

Friday Night at Beaver Creek Church:

Elder Leonard J. Corns, opened service.
1. Elder Donald B. Hazen, text Philippians 3:3
2. Elder F. R. Moore, text 1st Epistle Peter 1:1
Elder J. H. Blackburn, closed with prayer.

Saturday Morning at Stand:

Elder Donald B. Hazen, opened service
1. Elder Leonard J. Corns, text Eph. 2:8
2. Elder Reuben Hawks, Jr., text Rom. 7:9
3. Elder Gene F. Watson, text Rom. 12:1

Saturday Evening at Stand:
1. Elder H. B. Thomas, text Prov. 8:1
2. Elder D. C. Stover, text, Be ready when called in question to give a reason.
3. Lic. Hugh Blevins, text The Love of God
Elder Gene F. Watson, closed with prayer.

Saturday Night at Senter Church:
Lic. Hugh Blevins, opened service.
1. Elder Donald B. Hazen
2. Elder J. H. Blackburn
Elder D. C. Stover, closed with prayer.

Sunday Morning at Stand:
Elder D. C. Stover, opened service.
1. Elder J. H. Blackburn, text Jesus both a crucified and a risen Savior.
2. Elder Walter Evans, text, Matthew 14:22
Elder C. O. Yates, closed service with song and prayer.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

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Beaver Creek—Bro. Clarence Brown, Rt. 2, Box 184, Crumpler, N. C. Eld. Floyd South, Bro. R. L. Speaks, Clarence Brown, R. Miller, alt.

Big Helton—Bro. B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C. Brothers G. E. Kilby, G. O. Blevins, B. O. Dolinger, Sister Emma Dollinger, alt.

Horse Creek—Bro. Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C. Brother Carl Ball, Millard Davis, Sister Lessie Ball, alt.

North Fork—L. V. Johnson, Rt. 1, West Jefferson, N. C. Brother L.V. Johnson, Sisters Carrie Miller, Bessie Miller, Bro. J. F. Miller, alt.

Riverview—Elder C. O. Yates, Fleetwood, N. C. Elder C. O. Yates, Brother Willard Hartzog, Elder Jack McGinnis

Roans Creek—Bro. G. O. Burgess, West Jefferson, N. C. Brother Tom Severt, Brother G. L. Mash, Brother Frank Thompson

Senter—Sister Annie Jones, Crumpler, N. C. Brothers Bertie Bare, Norman Brown, Tom Fowler, Arch McMillan, alt.

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North Fork—Elders Dewey Roten, Wiley Hester, Jack McGinnis
Riverview—Elder Dewey Roten, Ass't. C. O. Yates, Jack McGinnis.
Roans Creek—Elders Wiley Hester, Tom Ward, G. D. Roten.
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Riverview—3rd Sat. and Sun. June 15 and 16, 1968
Horse Creek—4th Sat. and Sun. June 22 and 23, 1968
North Fork—1st Sat. and Sun. July 6 and 7, 1968
Big Helton—3rd Sat. and Sun. July 20 and 21, 1968
Roans Creek—4th Sat. and Sun. July 27 and 28, 1968

WISHING WELL

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OBITUARIES

CHARLIE HAMPTON MILLER

Charlie Hampton Miller, son of the late Talton M. and Nancy Snyder Miller, was born in Wilkes County February 29, 1884 and departed this life October 10, 1966, at the age of 82 years, 7 months and 11 days.

He was married to the former Miss Alice Black who preceded Him in death on May 22, 1964.

He is survived by 1 son: Walter C. Miller of Jefferson, N. C.; 4 daughters: Mrs. Chessie Bowers and Mrs. Ruth Severt both of Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Mary Hubbard of Taylorsville, N. C. and Mrs. Dare Faw of Millers Crek, N. C.; 13 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; 1 brother, Noah Miller of Jefferson; 3 sisters: Mrs. Ida Bare of Jefferson, N. C.; Mrs. Ollie Boggs of Mansfield, Ohio; and Mrs. Katie Smith of Fleetwood.

He professed faith in Christ and joined Bare Creek Primitive Baptist Church on Oct. 1st Saturday 1953 where he remained a member until his passing.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

LONNIE THOMAS JONES

Lonnie Thomas Jones was born April 4, 1897, departed this life August 18, 1967, making his stay on earth 70 years, 4 months, and 14 days.

Funeral service was held at Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Sunday, August 20, 1967 by Elder Dewey Roten, Elder Walter Evans, Elder Wiley Hester, Rev. Clate Kilby.

Burial in the Ebenezer Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

He joined the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church, August, 1964, where he remained a faithful member as long as his health permitted.

JESSIE ABNER SEVERT

Jessie Abner Severt, was born June 23, 1894, departed this life October 28, 1966. Making His stay on earth 72 years, 4 months, and 5 days.

Funeral service was held at Helton Valley Baptist Church, October 31, 1966, by Rev. Carl Haga, Elder Dewey Roten, Rev. W. E. Burchette, Rev. Harold Hawkins.

Burial in the Walls Family Cemetery.

He joined the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church September, 1952, where he remained a faithful member until death.

EMMA MILLER

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HELD WITH

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FRIDAY—September 6, 1968

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. H. Blackburn from the Mates Creek Association, Ky.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten of the Senter Association. Text, Titus 1:2, In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

2. The Association appointed Elder Jack McGinnis, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

3. Called for petitionary letters. Received none.

4. Called for transient and visiting brethren and sisters from sister associations and churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association of N. C.: Elder Walter Evans, Brother A. C. Holloway and wife, Brother J. Mack Osborne, Brother Robert Cleary, Brother Troy Cleary, Brother Lon M. Reeves and wife, Licentiate Elmer Sparks, Brother G. R. Douglas and wife, Brother Green Ward, Brother M. A. Jenkins and wife, Brother A. J. Reeves and wife, Brother Garnett Bold, Brother Clarence Ward.

Mates Creek Association, Ky.: Elder J. H. Blackburn and wife, Elder Frank Wheeler, Elder Walter G. Runyon.

Echeconnee Association, Ga.: Elder Paul R. Mann.

Mount Zion Association, W. Va.: Elder Owen D. Harvey and wife, Sister Minnie S. White, Elder J. H. Sutphin, Brother Wint McNeill and wife.

Ketocton Association, Va.: Elder W. G. Fletcher.

Silver Creek Association, N. C.: Brother C. D. McGee, Brother Thomas Hall, Brother Alfred Jenkins, Brother Sam Hartley, Sister Daise Hartley.

Little River Association, N. C.: Brother R. H. Reeves and wife.

Prince William Association, S. C.: Elder C. J. DeLoach.

New Liberty Association, W. Va.: Elder J. M. Whaling and wife.

Independent Churches:

Walnut Cove Church, N. C.: Elder F. R. Moore.

Worrell Memorial Church, Va.: Elder Wilbur F. Worrell and wife.

St. Clairs Bottom Church, Va.: Brother Wiley B. Greer, Brother Dan Blevins, Brother Everett Blevins, Sister Ada E. Davis.

Montview Church, N. C.: Brother Frank A. King.

Grace Church, Fla.: Elder Ernest Blanton.

Tidewater Church, Va.: Elder Frank E. McCarty, Sisters Dorothy and Sharon McCarty, Brother A. L. Carnell, Sister Annie J. Carnell.

Mt. Carmel Church, Md., Brother L. H. Davis.

Stone Wall Church, Va.: Elder L. H. Moran, Elder S. S. Walker.

Zion Rest Church, N. C.: Brother E. M. Smith.

Spoon Creek Church, Va.: Elder L. J. Corns, Brother L. G. Sheppard and wife.

Reddis River Church, N. C.: Sister T. C. Wagner, Sister P. H. Whittington, Sister Doshie Whittington, Sister Dolly Hester.

Chestnut Grove Church, Va.: Elder H. B. Thomas.

Mt. Olive Church, Va.: Sister L. H. Moran.

No Creek Church, N. C.: Sister M. G. Maudlin.

Salisbury Church, N. C.: Brother M. G. Mauldin, Sister Robert Gentry.

Pine Church, N. C.: Sister Jackie Mauldin.

Florida: Elder Percy Ming.

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

(1) Committee on Finance: Brother Bertie Bare, Bro-Ben Dolinger, Brothers Clarence Brown, Tom Fowler.

(2) Committee on Arrangements: Brothers Norman

Brown, Tom Severt, Elder Floyd F. South.

(3) Committee on Ministry: Brothers G. O. Burgess, Frank Thompson, Gaither Blevins.

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet in the church house Saturday morning 9:30 a. m. for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder C. J. DeLoach from the Prince William Association, S. C.

SATURDAY—September 7, 1968

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder W. G. Fletcher from the Ketocton Association, Va.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll called, absentees excused.

2. Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum, omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace-loving Primitive Baptists as visitors. The Association to be held on Friday before the second Sunday in September. The Association rotate back to the churches, except when they do not ask for it. If not, the Association is to go to Senter Church.

4. Continue correspondence with Powells Valley Association through minutes approved.

5. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in minutes.

6. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

7. To appoint the Clerk as Treasurer for overseeing printing of 600 copies of the Minutes, also distribution of same.

8. The Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

9. Next Association to convene at Senter Church, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1969. Located about eight miles northeast of Jefferson, N. C. just off highway 221, near Nathan's Creek Church, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 12, 13, and 14, 1969.

10. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

11. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$237.50	
Expenditures:		
To the Moderator	$ 10.00	
To the Clerk	15.00	
Printing and postage of minutes	75.00	$100.00

12. Minutes to be read and approved.

13. Adjourn through song and prayer by Elder J. M. Whaling from the New Liberty Association, W. Va.

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ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning:
Elder J. H. Blackburn, opened service.
Elder G. D. Roten, Introductory Sermon.

Friday Evening:
1. Elder Wilbur Worrell
2. Elder Paul R. Mann
3. Elder F. R. Moore, Closed with prayer.

Friday Night at Beaver Creek Church:
1. Elder Frank Wheeler opened service
2. Elder J. H. Blackburn
3. Elder Wilbur F. Worrell

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Sunday Evening:
1. Elder Ernest Blanton
2. Elder Percy Ming
3. Elder Walter Evans
4. Elder H. B. Thomas, closed with prayer.

Thus closed another session of the Senter Association with peace and union felt by one and all.—Clerk

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten, Fleetwood, N. C.
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CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES

Churches — Clerks and Addresses — Church Messengers

Bear Creek—Earl W. Severts, 4798 N. Cherry St., Winston-Salem, N.C. Sisters Bell Miller, Vertie Jones, Marrie Miller
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WISHING WELL

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In unity there is strength.

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Piney Grove: S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C. 25
Powells Valley, Ray Wells, 113 Melbourne Rd. Oak Ridge, Tenn. 25
United P. B.: Elder Allen Easter, Hillsville, Va. 25

COMMUNION MEETINGS

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OBITUARIES

WILEY LEONARD PERRY

Wiley Leonard Perry, retired farmer, trader and lumberman, son of Jonathan and Alvah Sheets Perry was born in Ashe County, May 24, 1887. Departed this life August 30, 1961, making his stay on earth 74 years, 3 months and 6 days.

He was married to Mauda Lewis, May 3, 1908. To this union was born two sons and three daughters, one daughter Ruth preceded him in death. The sons are: Claude Perry of Manassas, Va. and Charles Perry of Roseville, Ohio. The daughters are: Mrs. Grace Holman of Charleston, W. Va. and Mrs. Claude Taylor of Manassas, Va. The wife also survives, with eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Brother and sisters surviving are: Lunday and Reed Perry of Sedro Wooley, Washington, Albert Perry of Lansing, N. C., Mrs. M. V. Davis and Mrs. B. O. Dolinger both of Lansing, N. C., and Mrs. Gilam Weaver of Whitetop, Va.

Leonard professed a hope in Christ and joined the Helton Primtive Baptist Church March 1925 and remained a faithful member until death.

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A loving voice from us is gone,
Two busy hands have folded;
They rest in peace in the beyond,
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This voice from out the heavenly way,
In tones of thunder, seems to say,
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—Written by Lillie B. Perry

ELDER WILEY E. HESTER

Elder Wiley E. Hester was born Feb. 13, 1904, departed this life Aug. 30, 1967, making his stay on earth 63 years, 6 months and 17 days.

Elder Hester joined the Saints Delight Primitive Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C. July 17, 1943 and was liberated to speak in public 2nd Saturday, Aug. 1957; received his letter from Saints Delight Church 2nd Saturday Oct. 1954.

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Proceedings

OF THE SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD AT SENTER CHURCH

FRIDAY—September 12, 1969.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder C. O. Yates of the Senter Association.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten of the Senter Association. Text, Heb. 11:1-10.

On motion:

1. Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.

2. The Association appointed Elder Jack McGinnis, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

3. Called for petitionary letters. Received none.

4. Called for transient and visiting brethren and sisters from sister associations and churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association of N. C.: Brother Guy Phipps, Elder Walter Evans, Brother Willie Joines, Brother Martin A. Jenkins, Sister Rose Jenkins, Brother Lon M. Reeves and wife, Brother Roscoe Williams, Brother A. J. Reeves, Brother Clarence Ward, Brother Robert Cleary, Brother Troy Cleary, Sister R. E. Mash, Brother G. R. Douglas and wife, Brother R. Cleve Gambill and wife, Brother A. C. Halloway, Sister Lula R. Crouse, Brother Harrison Ray, Brother Greene Ward, Brother J. Mack Osborne and wife.

Mt. Enon Association of Florida: Elder Donald B. Hazen, Elder Cromer Crawford, Brother Willie G. Dees.

Mates Creek Association of Kentucky: Elder J. H. Blackburn and wife.

Silver Creek Association of N. C.: Sister Doshie Whittington, Elder Gene F. Watson, Sister Dolly Wagner, Sister P. H. Whittington.

Mount Zion Association of West Virginia: Brother Henry Roles and wife, Brother Julian Holliday, Sister Viola Canterbury, Sister Lola Morgan, Brother Wint McNeill and wife.

Rock Springs Association of Kentucky: Elder William

Littleton, Brother John Gregory and wife.

Primitive Baptist Association of Houston, Texas: Elder R. C. Lee.

Independent Churches:

Saints Delight, Church,N. C.: Brother Tyrus Manuel, Sister Lillian Manuel.

Walnut Cove Church of N. C.: Elder F. R. Moore.

Troutdale Church, Virginia: Sister Zenna Richmond, Sister Colonel E. Adams.

Abbotts Creek Church of N. C.: Brother B. R. Dillard.

Claiborne Street Church, Danvillve Virginia: Brother J. S. Lawrence and wife.

Worrell Memorial Church of Virginia: Elder Wilbur F. Worrell and wife.

Pleasant Hill Church of N. C.: Sister Ada Compton, Bro. Meade Compton and wife.

Tidewater Church, Virginia: Elder Frank E. McCarty. Saint Clairs Bottom Church, Virginia: Sister C. N. Tilson, Brother Everett Blevins, Brother Fred W. Cress, Brother W. B. Greer and wife.

Loves Grove Church, N. C.: Elder R. L. Rodgers.

Pine Grove Church, Virginia: Elder Ray Rotenizer, Eld. Jess B. Higgins.

Pine Ridge Church, N. C.: Sister S. D. Worrell.

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

(1) Committee on Finance: Brother Frank Thompson, Brother Bertie Bare, Brother B. O. Dolinger, Brother G. O. Blevins.

(2) Committee on Arrangements: Brother Tom Severt, Brother G. L. Mash, Brother George Miller.

(3) Committee on Ministry: Elder C. O. Yates, Elder G. D. Roten, Brother Carl Ball.

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet in the church house Saturday morning 9:30 a. m. for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10 a. m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder Donald B. Hazen from the Mt. Enon Association, Florida.

SATURDAY—September 13, 1969.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten of the Senter Association. On motion:

1. Roll called, absentees excused.

2. Reading of Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptists as visitors. The Association to be held on Friday before the second Sunday in September. The Association rotate back to the churches, except when they do not ask for it. If not, the Association is to go to the Senter Church.

4. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in minutes.

5. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

6. To appoint the Clerk as Treasurer for overseeing printing of 600 copies of the minutes, also distribution of the same.

7. The Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

8. Next Association to convene at Riverview Church, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1970. Located about eight miles south of West Jefferson, N. C., on state road No. 1147, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 11, 12, and 13, 1970.

9. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

10. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$245.00	
Expenditures:		
To the Moderator	$ 20.00	
To the Clerk	30.00	
Printing and postage of minutes	85.00	$135.00

11. Minutes to be read and approved.

12. Adjourn through song and prayer by Elder C. O. Yates of the Senter Association.

ELDER JACK McGINNIS, Moderator
BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning:
Elder C. O. Yates, opened service
Elder G. D. Roten, Introductory Sermon

Friday Evening:
Elder Donald B. Hazen
Elder F. R. Moore
Elder Walter Evans, dismissed service

Friday Night at Senter Church:
Elder J. H. Blackburn, opened service
Elder Cromer Crawford
Elder Walter Evans, dismissed service

Saturday Morning:
Elder G. D. Roten, opened service for business
Elder J. H. Blackburn, opened service for preaching
Elder Frank E. McCarty
Elder L. J. Corns
Elder C. O. Yates, dismissed service from business

Saturday Evening:
Elder Gene F. Watson
Elder R. L. Rodgers
Elder Ray Rotenizer
Elder G. D. Roten, dismissed service

Saturday Night at Beaver Creek Church:
Elder Jess B. Higgins, opened service
Elder William Littleton
Elder R. C. Lee
Elder Jess B. Higgins, dismissed service

Sunday Morning:
Elder William Littleton, opened service
Elder Jess B. Higgins
Elder J. H. Blackburn

Sunday Evening:
Elder R. C. Lee
Elder Walter Evans
Elder Floyd F. South, dismissed service

Thus closed another session of the Senter Association with peace and union felt by one and all.—Clerk

OBITUARY OF MRS. ADA BURGESS SEVERT

Mrs. Ada Burgess Severt departed this life 3:20 a. m. August 2, 1969; was born December 10, 1902 in Ashe County to Wiley and Matilda Absher Burgess, making her stay on earth 66 years, 7 months, and 23 days.

She joined the Primitive Baptist Church in early life, and was an active and faithful member until death. She first joined the Riverview Primitive Baptist Church, then later in years moved her membership to Bear Creek Church.

Surviving are her husband: Callie Grant Severt, a son, Earl W. Severt, of Winston-Salem, N. C.; four sisters, Mrs. Chessie Faw of Waynesburg, Ky.; Mrs. Hazel Bare, Mrs. Evazella Parsons and Mrs. Esther South of West Jefferson, N. C.; and three brothers: Oscar Burgess, West Jefferson, N. C.; Woodrow Burgess of Orange City, Fla.; and Edward Burgess of Mountain City, Tenn.; six grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten, Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder Edd Severt, Ennice, N. C.
Elder C. O. Yates, Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder Jack McGinnis, 511 6th St., North Wilkesboro, N.C.
Elder Floyd F. South, West Jefferson, N. C.
Lic. Woodrow Craft, West Jefferson, N. C.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Bear Creek—Elders Dewey Roten, Allen Whittington
Beaver Creek—Elders Dewey Roten, Floyd South.
Big Helton—Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis
Horse Creek—Elders Dewey Roten, C. O. Yates
North Fork—Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis, C. O. Yates
Riverview—Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis, C. O. Yates
Roans Creek—Elders Jack McGinnis, Allen Whittington
Senter—Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and No. of Minutes — Clerks and their Addresses

Bear Creek: Earl W. Severt, 4798 N. Cherry St. Winston Salem, N. C. 27105 25
Beaver Creek: Clarence R. Brown, Rt. 2, Crumpler, N. C. 28617 .. 25
Big Helton: B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C. 60
Horse Creek: Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C. 25
North Fork: Carrie W. Miller, Rt. 1, Box 177, Warrensville, N. C. .. 30
Riverview: C. O. Yates, Rt. 2, Fleetwood, N. C. 30
Roans Creek: G. L. Mash, Rt. 1, Box 56, Jefferson, N. C. 45
Senter: Annie Jones, Crumpler, N. C. 55

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Ebenezer: Carroll R. Shuler, Stanley, Va. 25
Mates Creek: Stearl Hatfiled, McCarr, Ky. 25
Mountain: Raymond R. Nichols, Rt. 1, Galax, Va. 25
Mt. Zion, J. R. Lilly, Box 345, Hinton, W. Va. 25

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches and dates:

Bear Creek—1st Sat. and Sun. in May
Beaver Creek—4th Sat. and Sun. May
Senter—2nd Sat. and Sun. June
Riverview—3rd Sat. and Sun. June
Horse Creek—4th Sat. and Sun. June
North Fork—1st Sat. and Sun. August
Big Helton—3rd Sat. and Sun. July
Roans Creek—4th Sat. and Sun. July

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech

by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall faily state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton, and also from the Three Forks Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork, and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Forks Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by the respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church October 21, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any sister Association, upon application by letter and delegates, shall be admitted into our union.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented to the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of the proceedings, the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a yearly compensation for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general union of churches, to endeavor to preserve a chain of communion among the churches, to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the gospel.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will or ability.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe the only true mode of baptism is by immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	MESSENGERS	Communion Mo.	Sat. of Meeting	By Exp. & Bap.	Rec'd by Relation	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contribution
Bear Creek	Bro. Earl W. Severt, Elder Ed Severt, Sister Bell Miller, Sister Carrie Severt, Sister Myra Miller. alt. .	May	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	18	$ 16.00
Beaver Creek	Brothers Ralph Miller, George Miller, Clarence Brown, W. G. Johnson, alt.	May	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	15.00
Big Helton	Bros. G. O. Blevins, B. O. Dolinger, Sister G. O. Blevins, Sister Emma Dolinger, alt.	July	3	....	....	....	....	1	1	43	45.00
Horse Creek	Bros. Carl Ball, Millard Davis, Sister Lessie Ball	June	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	15.00
North Fork	Sister Carrie W. Miller, Sister Bessie Miller, Sister Hettie Sapp, Brother Ben Roten, alt.	Aug.	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	25	24.00
Riverview	Elder G. D. Roten, Elder C. O. Yates, Elder Jack McGinnis, Brother Allen Sheets, alt.	June	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	35	29.00
Roans Creek	Brother G. L. Mash, Brother Frank Thompson, Brother Tom Severt, Brother Guy Reeves, alt.	July	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	43	36.00
Senter	Brother Bertie Bare, Bro. Jim Walters, Brother Tom Fowler, Brother Steve Douglas, alt.	June	2	2	1	....	....	....	1	69	65.00
	Totals			2	1	....	....	1	5	262	$245.00

CHURCH DIRECTORY

BEAR CREEK—Sunday (only) 11 a. m. following the first Saturday. A stucco cinder block building just off highway No. 16, at Glendale Springs, N. C. Note: Glendale Springs, N. C. is located between North Wilkesboro, N. C. and Jefferson, N. C. highway 16. Traveling from North Wilkesboro, N. C., turn right at Glendale Springs. Traveling from Jefferson, N. C., turn left at Glendale Springs. Church in a small grove of pines on right in sight from Glendale Springs, N. C.

BEAVER CREEK—Fourth Saturday night 7 p. m., and Sunday 2 p. m. A brick church building just off highway No. 221, about one mile southwest of West Jefferson, N. C. First paved road on left leaving West Jefferson, N. C., road No. 163.

BIG HELTON—Sunday (only) 2 p. m., following the third Saturday. A white wood church building about one mile west of Sturgills, N. C. Take highway 194 from Lansing, N. C. to Sturgills, N. C., turn left, church about one mile on left side of road.

HORSE CREEK—Sunday (only) 11 a. m. following the fourth Saturday. A white wood frame building about four miles northwest of Lansing, N. C. Take highway 194 from West Jefferson, N. C., to Lansing, N. C. From Lansing, go 1353 around one mile, turn left on 1324, follow 1324 to Joe Hampton road, follow to end of pavement, turn left to church.

NORTH FORK—Sunday (only) 2 p. m. following the first Saturday. A white asbestos shingle church building, located about three miles west of Warrensville, N. C. Located between Warrensville, N. C. and Trade, Tenn. Take highway No. 88 out of Warrensville, N. C., about one mile you will come to the North Fork of New River, take first right hand road, church about two miles on right hand right of road.

RIVERVIEW—Third Saturday night 7. p. m. and Sunday 11 a. m. A brick church building, located about eight miles from West Jefferson, N. C. Take highway 221 about one mile and a half toward Boone, N. C. Turn left on state road No. 1147, go about six miles, church on left side of road.

ROANS CREEK—Fourth Saturday 2 p. m and Sunday 11 a. m. A brick church building located between Jefferson, N. C., and Laurel Springs, N. C. Take highway No. 88 out of Jefferson, N. C. about seven miles, church on left side of road.

SENTER—Second Saturday 11 a. m. and Sunday 2. p. m. A brick church building, located between Jefferson, N. C. and Sparta, N. C. Take highway 221 out of Jefferson, N. C. about eight miles, near Nathan's Creek School.

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MINUTES

OF THE

One Hundred Seventeenth Annual Session

OF THE

Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

RIVERVIEW CHURCH

ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY,

SEPTEMBER 11, 12, AND 13,

— 1970 —

Next session convenes with Bear Creek Church located at Glendale Springs, N. C. Note: Glendale Springs is located between North Wilkesboro, N. C. and Jefferson, N. C. on Highway 16. Traveling from North Wilkesboro, N. C. turn right at Glendale Springs. Traveling from Jefferson, N. C. turn left at Glendale Springs, Church in a small grove of pines on right in sight from Glendale Springs, N. C. Convening on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 10, 11, 12, 1971.

OFFICERS:

ELDER JACK McGINNIS, Moderator, 511 6th Street, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Phone: 667-6777

BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk, 4798 N. Cherry St. Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105, Phone: 767-6851

Proceedings

OF THE SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD AT RIVERVIEW CHURCH

FRIDAY — September 11, 1970.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder Percy Ming of the Faith Primitive Baptist Church, of Florida.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G. D. Roten, of the Senter Association. Text: Salvation by the Grace of God.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, Correspondents seated.

2. The Association appointed Elder Jack McGinnis, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.

3. Called for petitionary letters, Received none.

4. Called for transient and visiting Bretheren and Sisters from sister Associations and Churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association of N. C. and Va.: Brother Willie Joines and wife, Brother M. A. Jenkins and wife, Brother J. Mack Osborne and wife, Brother Lon M. Reeves and wife, Brother G. R. Douglas and wife, Brother Roscoe Williams, Elder Walter Evans, Sister Beulah Reeves, Brother A. C. Halloway.

Silver Creek Association of N. C.: Elder Gene F. Watson.

Mt. Zion Association of West Va.: Elder Owen D. Harvey, Sister Nellie Harvey.

Independent Churches:

Faith Church of Florida: Elder Percy Ming, Sister Audrey Ming.

Abbotts Creek Church of N. C.: Brother B. R. Dillard.

Chestnut Grove Church of Va.: Elder Bruce Thomas.

Claiborne Street Church, Danville, Va.: Brother J. S. Lawrence.

Salisbury Church, Salisbury, N. C.: Sister Pauline Teasley.

St. Clair's Bottom Church of Va.: Brother Dan Blevins, Brother Wiley B. Greer.

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

(1) Committee on Finance: Brother Guy Reeves, Brother Dewey Fowler, Brother Bertie Bare, Brother G. O. Blevins.

(2) Committee on Arrangements: Brother Tom Severt, Brother Clarence Brown, Brother Gaither Johnson, With Moderator and Clerk.

(3) Committee on Ministry: Elder C. O. Yates, Elder G. D. Roten, Brother B. O. Dolinger.

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet Saturday morning at Beaver Creek High School for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder Owen D. Harvey from the Mt. Zion Association of W. Va.

SATURDAY — September 12, 1970.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder Walter Evans of the Mountain Association of N. C. and Va.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll call omitted.

2. Reading of constitution, also rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors. The Association to be held on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1971.

4. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in the minute.

5. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

6. To appoint the clerk as treasurer for overseeing printing of 600 copies of the minutes, also distribution of same.

7. The Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

8. Next Association to convene at Bear Creek Church,

beginning on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1971. Located at Glendale Springs, N. C.

9. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

10. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from Churches	$211.00
Expenditures:	
To the Moderator	20.00
To the Clerk	30.00
Printing and Postage of Minutes	85.00
Janitorial Service at Beaver Creek School	20.00
Total Expenditures	$155.00
Balance to Visiting Elders	$ 56.00

Plus what was given during the Association.

11. The annual meeting at Senter Church in April to be printed in the minute.

12. That we mail Corresponding Minutes to the Silver Creek Association and the Bear Creek Association.

13. Minutes to be read and approved.

14. To adjourn through song and prayer by Elder Gene F. Watson of the Silver Creek Association of N. C.

ELDER JACK McGINNIS, Moderator
BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning:

Elder Percy Ming, opened service
Elder G. D. Roten, Introductory Sermon

Friday Evening:

Elder C. O. Yates, opened service
Elder Owen D. Harvey, St. Matthew, 8:27
Elder Ed Severt, dismissed service

Saturday Morning:

Elder Walter Evans, opened service
Elder Gene F. Watson, Isaiah, 40th Chapter

Saturday Evening:

Elder Bruce Thomas, Isaiah, 35:3
Elder Owen D. Harvey, St. Matthew, 28:18-20
Elder Gene F. Watson, dismissed service

Saturday Night, Beaver Creek Church:

Elder Jack McGinnis, opened service
Elder Owen D. Harvey, 1st Cor. 10:1-6
Elder Percy Ming
Elder C. O. Yates, dismissed service

Sunday Morning:

Elder Jack McGinnis, opened service
Elder Percy Ming, Proverbs 2nd Chapter

Sunday Evening:

Elder Walter Evans, Rev. 19:7
Elder Owen D. Harvey, dismissed service

Thus closed another session of the Senter Association with peace and union felt by one and all. — Clerk.

Obituaries

GAITHER EZRA KILBY

Gaither Ezra Kilby, West Jefferson, N. C. was born to Elder Troy H. and Marenthia Spencer Kilby on December 27, 1887 in Grayson County Virginia. He died in Ashe County Memorial Hospital on February 7, 1970 being 82 years of age. He was a retired farmer and school teacher.

He joined the Helton Primitive Baptist Church in September, 1926. He was ordained deacon in May, 1930 and appointed clerk in October, 1932. He also served as clerk of the Senter Association for many years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ennice Moran Kilby; five daughters, Miss Clyde Kilby, Boone, N. C., Mrs. Harold E. Simpson, Lewisville, N. C., Mrs. Sam Campbell, West Jefferson, N. C., Mrs. Robert F. Redfield, Essex, Connecticut, Mrs. John W. Gaither, St. Petersburg, Florida. Nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Three sisters, Mrs. Harvey W. Owens, Pequea, Pennsylvania, Mrs. Ala McGuire, Boone, N. C., and Mrs. John F. Reeves, West Jefferson, N. C. Four brothers, Eld. C. B. Kilby, Galax, Va., Eld. Webb Kilby, Roanoke, Va., Carl and Preston Kilby, Marion, Va.

The funeral was at Senter Primitive Baptist Church with

Elders Dewey Roten and Walter Evans in charge. Burial was in Ashelawn Memorial Gardens.

Thank you,
THE GAITHER KILBY FAMILY

MYRTLE ELLEN HUNT MILLER

Myrtle Ellen Hunt Miller was born Sept. 21, 1888 and died August 6, 1970 in the hospital at Wythville, Va.

She was married to William Lee Miller in 1905, who passed away in 1967. To this Union eleven children were born, one son, Glenn, preceded her in death. Seven daughters and three sons survive. The daughters are: Mrs. Carmie Bare, Jefferson, N. C., Mrs. George Miller, Fleetwood, N. C., Mrs. T. F. Miller, Hayes, N. C., Mrs. Woodrow Miller, White Marsh, Md., Mrs. William J. Caldwell. Rural Retreat, Va., Mrs. Orville Hutton, Marion, Va., and Mrs. John W. Davis, Middle River, Md. The sons are: W. J. Miller, Jefferson, N. C., John H. Miller, Cleveland, Ohio, and Orville L. Miller, Charlotte, N. C.

Sister Miller united with the Primitive Baptist Church at Riverview, August, 1926 and remained a faithful member as long as her health permitted her to attend.

Funeral services were held August 8, 1970 at Riverview Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Dewey Roten officiating, burial was in the church cemetery.

Written by
MRS. ORBY YATES

ANNUAL MEETING

The Senter Church will hold a weeks meeting beginning on Sunday night of the Second Saturday meeting in April running through Friday night.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder Ed Severt ..... Ennice, N. C.
Elder C. O. Yates ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
Elder Jack McGinnis ..... 511 6th St., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Lic. Woodrow Craft ..... West Jefferson, N. C.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Bear Creek — Elder Dewey Roten
Beaver Creek — Elder Allen Whittington
Big Helton — Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis
Horse Creek — Elders Dewey Roten, C. O. Yates
North Fork — Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis, C. O. Yates
Riverview — Elders Jack McGinnis, C. O. Yates
Roans Creek — Elders Jack McGinnis, Allen Whittington
Senter — Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

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ROANS CREEK—Fourth Saturday, 2 p. m. and Sunday, 11 a. m. A brick church building located between Jefferson, N. C., and Laurel Springs, N. C. Take Highway No. 88 out of Jefferson, N. C. about seven miles, church on left side of road.

SENTER—Second Saturday, 11 a. m. and Sunday, 2 p. m. A brick church building, located between Jefferson, N. C. and Sparta, N. C. Take Highway 221 out of Jefferson, N. C. about eight miles, near Nathan's Creek School.

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MINUTES

OF THE

One Hundred Eighteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Senter District

Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

BEAR CREEK CHURCH

ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY,

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— 1971 —

Next session convenes with the Senter Church, located about 8 miles northeast of Jefferson, N. C. just off Highway 221, near Nathan's Creek School, on Friday before the second Sunday in September 8, 9, and 10, 1972.

OFFICERS:

ELDER JACK McGINNIS, Moderator, 4380 Ogburn Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105, Phone: 767-8328

BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk, 4798 N. Cherry St. Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105, Phone: 767-6851.

Proceedings

OF THE SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD AT BEAR CREEK CHURCH

FRIDAY — September 10, 1971.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year, and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten of the Senter Association.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. M. Mills of the Original Bear Creek Association, of N. C. Text: 5th Chapter of Ephesians.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, Correspondents seated.
2. The Association appointed Elder Jack McGinnis, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk.
3. Called for Petitionary letters, received none.
4. Called for transient and visiting Bretheren and Sisters from sister Associations and Churches. The following were seated, given the right hand of welcome:

Mountain Association: of N. C. and Va.

Bro. M. A. Jenkins and Wife
Elder Walter Evans
Bro. Roscoe Williams
Bro. J. Mack Osborne and Wife
Bro. Lon M. Reeves and Wife
Sister Lila R. Crouse
Bro. Reeves Douglas and Wife
Bro. Greene Ward
Sister Esther McBride
Bro. Claude S. McBride

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Bro. Tom Whitehouse

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Bro. Jacob H. Hartzog
Elder E. G. Lyle and Wife
Sister Ethel Lyle
Sister Beulah Lyle
Sister Maggie P. Davis

Mates Creek Association, of Ky.
Elder J. H. Blackburn and Wife

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Elder C. M. Mills and Wife
Bro. Lloyd E. Outen and Wife

Primitive Association, of Texas
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Mt. Zion Association, of W. Va.
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Bro. Ray Chason
Bro. Sam Hartley
Sister Daise Hartley

New Liberty Association, of W. Va.
Elder J. M. Whaling and Wife

Independent Churches:

Troutdale Church, of Va.
Bro. Zenna Richmond

Cold Springs Church, of Ky.
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Sister Audrey Ming

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5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this Session.

1. Committee on Finance:
   Bro. Ben Dolinger
   Bro. Gather Blevins
   Bro. Carl Ball
2. Committee on Arrangements:
   Bro. Gaither Johnson
   Bro. George Miller
   Bro. Bertie Bare
3. Committee on Ministry:
   Bro. Tom Severt
   Bro. G. O. Burgess
   Bro. Dewey Fowler

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet Saturday morning 9:30 a. m. at Bear Creek Church, for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder Walter Evans of the Mountain Association.

SATURDAY — September 11, 1971.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with

song and prayer by Elder Bruce Thomas of the Chestnut Grove Church, of Va.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll Call omitted.

2. Reading of constitution, also rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptist as visitors. The association to be held on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1972.

4. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to appear in minutes.

5. That minutes be mailed to all Visitors.

6. To appoint the clerk as Treasurer for overseeing the printing of 600 copies of the Minutes, also distribution of same.

7. The Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

8. Next Association to convene at Senter Church, beginning on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1972. Located about 8 miles Northeast of Jefferson, N. C. just off Highway 221, near Nathan's Creek School.

9. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

10. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from Churches	$260.00
Expenditures:	
To The Moderator	20.00
To The Clerk	30.00
Printing and Postage of Minutes	85.00
Janitorial Service at Lukes Memorial Building	25.00
To Visiting Elders	144.00
Received at Stand on Saturday	$109.00
Total Expenditures	$304.00
Balance in Treasury	$ 65.00

11. We wish to Express our appreciation for the use of the Luke Memorial Building, where the Association was held on Saturday and Sunday.

12. Minutes be read and approved.

13. To adjourn through song and prayer by Elder C. O. Yates of the Senter Association.

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Thus closed another Session of the Senter Association with Peace and Union felt by one and all. — Clerk.

Obituaries

MRS. DOSSA HAMM

Mrs. Dossa Hamm, of Lansing, N. C., was born March 6, 1893 and passed from this life Feb. 16, 1971, making her stay here on earth, 77 years, 11 months and 10 days.

Dossa Price Hamm was married to Martin Hamm on June 16, 1916. To this union were born 5 children, 3 of whom are still living, Wiley Vance Hamm, Luther Franklin Hamm, and Robert Smith Hamm, 7 grandchildren, 6 brothers, Vernon, Jessie, Frank, Vance, C. L., and Lester Price. Three sisters, Nannie Greer, Nona Sexton, and Belle Ellis, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss but our loss is her eternal gain. She was loved by all who knew her.

She joined Horse Creek Primitive Baptist Church March 4, 1924.

We feel she is now resting in her spiritual home. We know we shall never again see our Mother as she was in this world, yet we hope to see her again in the spiritual home.

Sleep on dear Mother, take the rest,
God called you home, He thought it best.

Written by Her Sons

MRS. DORA STANLEY BLACK

Mrs. Dora Stanley Black, daughter of Oliver and Harriet Stanley, born Feb. 1, 1889, died June 17, 1971, making her stay on earth, 82 years, 4 months, 16 days.

Married to Lee Black, who preceeded her in death. To this union were born 6 children, Ethel Bare, West Jefferson, N. C. Myrtle Sheets, North Wilkes. N. C., Hazel Lyalls, Crumpler, N. C., Lonfred and Ward Black, of Glendale Springs, N. C., and Maggie Lowman, deceased; 2 half-sisters and 3 brothers survive; 2 brothers deceased.

She was a member of Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church, where she was a good and faithful member.

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Mrs. Cordia Miller Barnes, 78, of Glendale Springs, N. C., wife of Garvey E. Barnes, died June 1, 1971. She was born in Ashe County to John A. and Eddie Mash Miller.

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FRIDAY — September 8, 1972.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder Bernie Leonard, of the Saints Delight Church of Winston-Salem, N. C.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Leonard J. Corns of the Spoon Creek Church of Va. Text: Ephesians, chapter 2, verse 8. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is a gift of God.

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- Bro. Elmer R. Sparks
- Bro. Lon M. Reeves and Wife
- Bro. J. Mack Osborne and Wife
- Bro. Roscoe Williams
- Sister Lula R. Crouse
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- Sister R. E. Marsh

Elder W. R. Hawks
Bro. A. C. Holloway
Bro. Greene Ward
Bro. Foster W. Truitt and Wife
Sister Hiatt Lineback
Bro. Jack Reeves
Bro. Robert Cleary
Bro. Troy Cleary
Sister Grace Rector
Bro. Albert B. Richardson
Bro. Clarence Ward
Bro. Arol Choate

Original Bear Creek Association: of N. C.
Bro. Carl Edwards and Wife
Elder C. M. Mills
Sister Veadie F. Davis
Bro. T. E. Broadway and Wife

Silver Creek Association: of N. C.
Bro. Roy Chason
Sister Ellie Lou Chason
Sister Dolly Wagner

Chambers Creek Association: of Texas
Bro. A. D. Blevins and Wife
Sister Maggie E. Fielding
Elder M. R. Altom

New Liberty Association: of W. Va.
Bro. Finley Ratliff
Sister Bernice Ratliff

Mt. Zion Association: of W. Va.
Bro. William Foster
Sister Lucille Foster
Elder Don Lilly
Elder A. L. Neely

Independent Churches:

Martinsville Primitive Baptist Church: of Va.
Elder Leonard J. Corns
Bro. Noel L. Wilson and Wife

Troutdale Church: of Va.
Bro. Millard F. Greer
Sister Zenna P. Richmond
Sister Leona Adams

Spoon Creek Church: of Va.
Lic. R. L. Jefferson
Sister R. L. Jefferson

Loves Grove Church: of N. C.
Elder R. L. Rodgers

Pine Grove Church: of Va.
Elder Jess B. Higgins

Abbots Creek Church: of N. C.
Bro. B. R. Dillard

St. Clair's Bottom Church: of Va.
Bro. Daniel C. Blevins
Bro. Fred W. Cress

Claiborne Street Church: of Va.
Bro. J. S. Lawarence and Wife

White Oak Springs Church: of N. C.
Bro. W. H. Bondurant and Wife

Saints Delight Church: of N. C.
Elder Bernie Leonard

Salisbury Church: of N. C.
Elder C. A. Livengood

Reddies River Church: of N. C.
Sister Annie Whittington Pierce

Cold Springs Church: of Ky.
Bro. J. D. Bolt and Wife

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

1. Committee on Finance:

Bro. Bertie Bare
Bro. Carl Ball
Bro. B. O. Dolinger

2. Committee on Arrangements:

Bro. G. O. Blevins
Bro. G. L. Mash
Bro. George Dewey Roten

3. Committee on Ministry:

Elder C. O. Yates
Elder Ed Severt
Elder G. D. Roten

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet Saturday morning 9:45 a. m. at Senter Church for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder M. R. Altom of the Chambers Creek Association of Texas.

SATURDAY — September 9, 1972.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Lic. R. L. Jefferson of the Spoon Creek Church of Va.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll call, omitted.

2. Reading of the constitution, also rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving, Primitive Baptist as visitors. The next Association to be held on Friday

before the Second Sunday in September, 1973, at North Fork Church.

4. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to be printed in minutes.

5. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

6. To appoint the Clerk as treasurer for overseeing the printing of 600 copies of the minutes, also distribution of same.

7. That the Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

8. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

9. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from Churches	$289.00
Treasurer returned from last year	65.00
Received from stand Saturday and Sunday	155.00
Total Received	$509.00
Expenditures:	
To the Moderator	$ 20.00
To the Clerk	35.00
Printing and postage of minutes	85.00
Janitorial service at Nathans Creek School	35.00
To visiting Elders	234.00
Total Expenditures	$409.00
Balance in Treasury	$100.00

10. We wish to express our appreciation for the use of the Nathans Creek School building, where the Association was held on Saturday and Sunday.

11. Minutes be read and approved.

12. To adjourn through song and prayer by Elder C. O. Yates of the Senter Association.

Elder Jack McGinnis, Moderator
Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning:

Elder Bernie Leonard, opened, with Prayer
Elder Leonard J. Corns, Introductory
Elder M. R. Altom, closed, with Prayer

Friday Evening:

Lic. C. A. Livengood, opened, with Prayer
Elder Bernie Leonard
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Friday Night at Senter Church:

Elder W. R. Hawks, opened, with Prayer
Elder Jess B. Higgins
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Thus closed another Session of the Senter Association with Peace and Union felt by one and all. — Clerk.

Obituaries

MR. ALLEN ALEXANDER SHEETS

Allen Alexander Sheets, 71, of Fleetwood, N. C. died Friday, March 24, 1972 at his home. The funeral was held at the Riverview Primitive Baptist Church. Burial was in the Calloway family cemetery.

Brother Sheets was born in Ashe County to Jacob and Alpha Houck Sheets. He was a retired construction worker and was a member of the Riverview Primitive Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife. Mrs. Illa South Sheets; a daughter, Mrs. Bly St. John, of Fleetwood, N. C.; two sons, Lenny Sheets, of Rt. 6, Mocksville, N. C. and Benny Sheets, of the home; two sisters, Mrs. H. B. Miller, of Fleetwood, N. C. and Mrs. Oscar McNeill, of Marion, Va.; and a brother, Wiley Sheets, of Fleetwood, N. C.

As a member of the Riverview Primitive Baptist Church he was a good and faithful member until death

Sleep on Brother, take the Peaceful rest,
God called you home, He thought it best.
By the Clerk

ANNUAL MEETING

The Senter Church will hold a weeks meeting beginning on Sunday night of the Second Saturday meeting in April running through Friday night.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten ..... Fleetwood, N. C. 28626
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Elder Jack McGinnis ..... 4380 Ogburn Ave.,
Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Bear Creek — Elders Dewey Roten, Ed Severt, C. O. Yates
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Roans Creek — Elders G. D. Roten, E. G. Lyle
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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and No. of Minutes — Clerks and their Addresses

Bear Creek: Margaret Jarvis, Ennice, N. C. 25
Beaver Creek: Ralph Miller, West Jefferson, N. C. 28694 25
Big Helton: B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C. 60
Horse Creek: Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C. 28694 15
North Fork: Mrs. Kathleen Burchette, Warrensville, N. C. 30
Riverview: C. O. Yates, Rt. 2, Fleetwood, N. C. 28626 30
Roans Creek: G. L. Mash, Rt. 1, Box 56, Jefferson, N. C. 45
Senter: Annie Jones, Rt. 2, Crumpler, N. C. 55

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Ezenezer: Aubrey E. Utz, Madison, Va. 22727 25
Mates Creek: Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky. 41544 25
Mountain: Raymond R. Nichols, Rt. 1, Galax, Va. 24333 25
Mt. Zion: Allen Mann, Rt. 2, Box 252,
Ronceverte, W. Va. 24970 25
Bear Creek: Claude Parnell, 4244 Glennhigh Rd.,
Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107 25
Silver Creek: Johnny D. Freeman, 167 Friendly Park,
Lenoir, N. C. 28645 25
North Carolina Collection: The Library, University
of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C. 2
The Primitive Baptist Library, Rt. 2,
Elon College, N. C. 27244 2

COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches and dates·

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Beaver Creek — 4th Sat. and Sun. in May

Senter — 2nd Sat. and Sun. in June
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North Fork — 1st Sat. and Sun. in August
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RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no-way reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privil-

eges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton, and also the Three Forks Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork, and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Forks Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by the respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church October 21, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead since the last Association.

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12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a yearly compensation for his trouble.

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16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the gospel.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

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Elder Gene Watson
Elder Orvin J. Huffman

Original Bear Creek Association, of N. C.
Bro. Carl Edwards and Wife

Independent Churches:

Blue Ridge Church
Elder A. J. Hylton

Abbots Creek Church
Bro. B. R. Dillard

Afton Road Church
Bro. J. S. Lawrence and Wife

St. Clair's Bottom Church
Bro. Emory T. Greer
Sister Minnie E. Greer
Lic. Everett Blevins
Lic. Dan Blevins

White Oak Springs Church
Bro. Howell S. Terrell

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

1. Committee on Finance:
Bro. Bertie Bare
Bro. Carl Ball
Bro. B. O. Dolinger

2. Committee on Arrangements:
Elder C. O. Yates
Bro. Wayne Severt
Bro. Ralph Miller

3. Committee on Ministry:
Elder G. D. Roten
Bro. Grover Burchette
Bro. Ben Roten

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet Saturday morning 9:45 a. m. at North Fork Church for Conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder J. H. Blackburn of the Mates Creek Association, of Ky.

SATURDAY — September 8, 1973.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder Walter Evans of the Mountain Association.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll call, omitted.

2. Reading of the Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving, Primitive Baptist as visitors. To discontinue fellowship with the St. Clair's Bottom Association due to some of the churches receiving and holding excluded members from Sister Churches.

The Next Association to be held on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1974, at Roans Creek Church

ON FRIDAY (only), and at Senter Church on Saturday and Sunday.

4. Rules of Decorum and Constitution to be printed in minutes.

5. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

6. To appoint the Clerk as treasurer for overseeing the

printing of 600 copies of the minutes, also distribution of same.

7. That the Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

8. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

9. Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from Churches	$336.00
Treasurer returned from last year	100.00
Received from stand Saturday and Sunday	162.00
Total Received	$598.00
Expenditures:	
To Moderator	$ 30.00
To Clerk	40.00
Printing and Postage of Minutes	95.00
Paid on Last Year's Minute Work	14.00
Allowed North Fork Church Building Fund	50.00
To Visiting Elders	224.00
Total Expenditures	$453.00
Balance in Treasury	$145.00

11. Minutes be read and approved.

12. To adjourn through song and prayer by Elder Jack McGinnis of the Senter Association.

Elder Jack McGinnis, Moderator
Brother Earl W. Svert, Clerk

— ORDER OF PREACHING —

Friday Morning:

Elder Walter Evans, (opened with prayer)
Elder G. D. Roten, Introductory
Elder J. H. Blackburn, (closed with prayer)

Friday Evening:

Elder J. H. Blackburn
Elder A. J. Hylton
Elder C. O. Yates, (closed with prayer)

Friday Night at North Fork Church:

Elder Jack McGinnis, (opened with prayer)
Elder A. J. Hylton
Elder Walter Evans

Saturday Morning:

Elder Walter Evans, (opened with prayer)
Elder Jack McGinnis, (closed Assoc. Business with prayer)

At Stand:

Saturday Morning:

Lic. Curtis D. Hash, (opened with prayer)
Elder Orvin J. Huffman
Elder Gene F. Watson

Saturday Evening:

Lic. Dan Blevins, (opened with prayer)
Lic. Everett Blevins
Elder H. B. Thomas
Elder C. O. Yates, (closed with prayer)

Sunday Morning:

Elder G. D. Roten, (opened with prayer)
Elder A. J. Hylton
Elder Walter Evans
Elder G. D. Roten, (closed with prayer)

Thus closed another Session of the Senter Association with Peace and Union felt by one and all. — Clerk.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Senter Church will hold a weeks meeting beginning on Sunday night of the Second Saturday meeting in April running through Friday night.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder G. D. Roten ..... Fleetwood, N. C. 28626
Elder Ed Severt ..... Ennice, N. C.
Elder C. O. Yates ..... Fleetwood, N. C. 28626
Elder Jack McGinnis ..... 4380 Ogburn Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Bear Creek — Elders Dewey Roten, Ed Severt, C. O. Yates
Beaver Creek — Elder G. D. Roten

Big Helton — Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis
Horse Creek — Elders Dewey Roten, C. O. Yates
North Fork — Elder Dewey Roten
Riverview — Elders Jack McGinnis, C. O. Yates, G. D. Roten
Roans Creek — Elders G. D. Roten, [redacted]
Senter — Elders Dewey Roten, Jack McGinnis

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and No. of Minutes — Clerks and their Addresses

Bear Creek: Margaret Jarvis, Ennice, N. C. 25
Beaver Creek: Ralph Miller, West Jefferson, N. C. 28694 25
Big Helton: B. O. Dolinger, Lansing, N. C. 60
Horse Creek: Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C. 28694 15
North Fork: Mrs. Kathleen Burchette, Warrensville, N. C. 30
Riverview: C. O. Yates, Rt. 2, Fleetwood, N. C. 28626 30
Roans Creek: G. L. Mash, Rt. 1, Box 56, Jefferson, N. C. 45
Senter: Annie Jones, Rt. 2, Crumpler, N. C. 55

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Ebenezer: Aubrey E. Utz, Madison, Va. 22727 25
Mates Creek: Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky. 41544 25
Mountain: Raymond R. Nichols, Rt. 1, Galax, Va. 24333 25
Mt. Zion: Allen Mann, Rt. 2, Box 252,
Ronceverte, W. Va. 24970 25
Bear Creek: Claude Parnell, 4244 Glennhigh Rd.,
Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107 25
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COMMUNION MEETINGS

We wish to extend to all our churches and to the peace-loving Baptists of our faith and order to commune with us at the following churches and dates:

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North Fork — 1st Sat. and Sun. in August
Big Helton — 3rd Sat. and Sun. in July
Roans Creek — 4th Sat. and Sun. in July

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator till he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no-way reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failing or imperfection, but shall fairly state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation than the title of brother.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Associa-

tion shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

CONSTITUTION

The churches from Mountain Association, Cranberry, Senter, South Fork, Silas Creek, and Big Helton, and also the Three Forks Association, Beaver Creek, Bear Creek, North Fork, and Horse Creek, having been dismissed from the Mountain and Three Forks Association, at their annual meetings in A. D. 1853, to form a new Association, met by the respective delegates in a convention, with the Senter Church October 21, 1853, formed and adopted the present Constitution of the Senter Association.

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association.

2. Who, in producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates. In their letters are to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, excluded, and dead since the last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in the union.

4. The Association shall be governed and ruled by a regular decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. New churches or any regular Baptist Church of Jesus

Christ of our faith and order, being legally dismissed by letter from any sister Association, upon application by letter and delegates, shall be admitted into our union.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

8. Every query, first being debated in the church and then presented to the Association, shall be read and debated and answered unless it be withdrawn by the member who presents it.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of the proceedings, the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

11. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the same, and it is the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same.

12. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a yearly compensation for his trouble.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read, corrected, if need be and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to their plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months notice.

15. The Association shall have power to provide for the general union of churches, to endeavor to preserve a chain of communion among the churches, to give the church the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

16. To inquire into the cause, if any church fails to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

17. To appropriate those monies contributed by the churches to any purpose they may think proper.

18. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which shall violate the rules of this Constitution, deviate from the orthodox principles of the gospel.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will or ability.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe the only true mode of baptism is by immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE — 1973

CHURCHES	MESSENGERS	Communion Month	Sat. of Meeting	Ordained Elders	Rec. by Exp. & Bapt.	Received by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions
Bear Creek	Elder Edd Severt, Bro. Wayne Severt, Sis. Margaret Jarvis, Sis. Vernie Jones, Alt.	May	1	1		1					17	$ 30.00
Beaver Creek	Bro. Bob Speaks, Bro. Ralph Miller. Sis. Willa Grey Miller, Bro. George Miller, Alt.	May	4						1		17	27.00
Big Helton	Bro. G. O. Blevins, Bro. B. O. Dolinger, Sis. G. O. Blevins, Sis. Emma Dolinger, Alt.	July	3							3	38	76.00
Roans Creek	Bro. G. L. Mash, Bro. Guy Reeves, Bro. Frank Thompson	July	4								43	20.00
North Fork	Bro. Grover Burchette, Bro. Ben Roten, Sis. Hettie Sapp, Sis. Carrie Miller, Alt.	Aug.	1								25	50.00
Riverview	Elder C. O. Yates, Elder G. D. Roten, Sis. Gladys Phillips, Sis. Orby Yates, Alt.	June	3	3							32	48.00
Horse Creek	Bro. Millard Davis, Bro. Carl Ball, Sis. Lessie Ball, Alt.	June	4								5	20.00
Senter	Bro. Bertie Bare, Bro. Paul Bare, Bro. Steve Douglas, Bro. Dewey Fowler, Alt.	June	2							1	70	65.00
	TOTAL			4		1			1	4	247	$336.00

CHURCH DIRECTORY

BEAR CREEK—Sunday (only) 11 a. m. following the first Saturday. A stucco cinder block building just off highway No. 16, at Glendale Springs, N. C. Note: Glendale Springs, N. C. is located between North Wilkesboro, N. C. and Jefferson, N. C. Highway 16. Traveling from North Wilkesboro, N. C., turn right at Glendale Springs, Traveling from Jefferson, N. C., turn left at Glendale Springs. Church in a small grove of pines on right in sight from Glendale Springs, N. C.

BEAVER CREEK—Fourth Saturday night 7 p. m., and Sunday 2 p. m. A brick church building just off Highway No. 221, about one mile southwest of West Jefferson, N. C. First paved road on left leaving West Jefferson, N. C., road No. 163.

BIG HELTON—Sunday (only) 2 p. m., following the third Saturday. A white wood church building about one mile west of Sturgill, N. C. Take Highway 194 from Lansing, N. C. to Sturgills, N. C., turn left, church about one mile on left side of road.

HORSE CREEK—Sunday (only) 11 a. m. following the fourth Saturday. A white wood frame building about four miles northwest of Lansing, N. C. Take Highway 194 from West Jefferson, N .C., to Lansing, N. C. From Lansing, go 1353 around one mile, turn left on 1324, follow 1324 to Joe Hampton road, follow to end of pavement, turn left to church.

NORTH FORK—Sunday (only) 2 p. m. following the first Saturday. A white asbestos shingle church building, located about three miles west of Warrensville, N. C. Located between Warrensville, N. C. and Trade, Tenn. Take Highway No. 88 out of Warrensville, N. C., about one mile you will

come to the North Fork of New River, take first right hand road, church about two miles on right side of road.

RIVERVIEW—Third Saturday night 7 p. m. and Sunday, 11 a. m. A brick church building, located about eight miles from West Jefferson, N. C. Take Highway 221 about one mile and a half toward Boone, N. C. Turn left on state road No. 1147, go about six miles, church on left side of road.

ROANS CREEK—Fourth Saturday, 2 p. m. and Sunday, 11 a. m. A brick church building located between Jefferson, N. C., and Laurel Springs, N. C. Take Highway No. 88 out of Jefferson, N. C. about seven miles, church on left side of road.

SENTER—Second Saturday, 11 a. m. and Sunday, 2 p. m. A brick church building, located between Jefferson, N. C. and Sparta, N. C. Take Highway 221 out of Jefferson, N. C. about eight miles, near Nathan's Creek School.

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MINUTES

OF THE

One Hundred Twenty-first Annual Session

OF THE

Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

Held With

ROANS CREEK CHURCH, On Friday (Only)
and
SENTER CHURCH, On Saturday and Sunday
ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
SEPTEMBER 6, 7 and 8

- 1974 -

Next session to convene with the Riverview Church, BEGINNING ON FRIDAY before the Second Sunday in September 10, 11, and 12, 1975. Located about eight miles from West Jefferson, N. C. Take Highway 221 about one mile and a half toward Boone, N. C. Turn left on state road No. 1147, go about Six miles, Brick Church on left side of road.

Note: On Saturday and Sunday the Association will be held at the Beaver Creek School, Located about 2 miles from West Jefferson, N. C. Take Highway 221 about 2 miles toward Boone, N. C. School on right side of Highway.

OFFICERS:

ELDER G. D. ROTEN, Moderator, Fleetwood, N. C. 28626
Phone: 877-4834

BROTHER EARL W. SEVERT, Clerk, 4798 N. Cherry St.
Winston-Salem, N. C. 27105; Phone: 767-6851

SISTER RUTH SEVERT, Assistant Clerk, Rt. # 1, Box 325
North Wilkesboro, N. C. 26859

Proceedings

OF THE SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST

ASSOCIATION, HELD AT ROANS CREEK CHURCH

FRIDAY – September 6, 1974

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder Worth Stephenson of the Little River Association of N. C.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Jess Higgins of Pine Grove Church, Hillsville, Va.

Opened Association Business with Prayer by Elder Dan Blevins of St. Clairs Bottom Church, Va.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.
2. The Association appointed Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator;
   Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk:
   Sister Ruth Severt, Assistant Clerk.
3. Called for Petitionary letters, received none.
4. Called for transient and visiting Bretheren and Sisters from Sister Associations and Churches. The following were seated and given the right hand of welcome.

   Mountain Association; of N. C. and Va.
   Bro. M. A. Jenkins and Wife
   Bro. Lon M. Reeves and Wife
   Bro. J. Mack Osborne and Wife
   Elder Curtis D. Hash
   Sister Irene Marsh
   Sister Madge Rhudy
   Bro. G. R. Douglas and Wife
   Bro. A. C. Holloway
   Sister Lela Crouse
   Sister Beulah Reeves
   Bro. Clarence Ward
   Bro. Greene Ward
   Elder Walter Evans

   Little River Association, of N. C.
   Elder Worth Stephenson and Wife
   Bro. Coleman Strickland and Wife
   Sister Hanna Lowe

Mt. Zion Association, of W. Va.
Elder J. R. Lilly
Bro. Tommy Pack

Bear Creek Association, of N. C.
Elder F. W. Stacks

New Liberty Association, of W. Va.
Elder John Whaling and Wife

Independent Churches:

Afton Road Church:
Bro. John Lawrence and Wife

Pleasant Grove Church:
Elder Ray White

Pine Grove Church:
Elder Joe McGrady
Elder Jess Higgins

St. Clair's Bottom Church:
Elder Daniel Blevins
Elder Hugh Blevins
Elder Everett Blevins
Sister Ada Davis

Bethel Church:
Bro. Eugene Taylor

Troutdale Church:
Sister Zenna Richmond
Sister Leona Adams
Bro. Millard Greer

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

1. Committee on Finance:
Bro. Oscar Burgess
Bro. Bertie Bare
Bro. Wayne Severt

2. Committee on Arrangements:
Elder C. O. Yates
Elder Edd Severt
Bro. Willard Hartzog

3. Committee on Ministry
Bro. Grover Burchette
Bro. Norman Brown
Bro. Millard Davis

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet Saturday mornings 9:45 a.m. at Senter Church for conference.

7. To adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder Ray White, of Pleasant Grove Church, of Va.

SATURDAY – September 7, 1974.

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder John Whaling of the New Liberty Association, of W. Va.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll call, omitted.

2. Reading of the Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted, but to be printed in minutes.

3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving, Primitive Baptist as visitors. To discontinue fellowship with the St. Clair's Bottom Association due to some of the churches receiving and holding excluded members from Sister Churches.

   The next Association to be held on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1975, at Riverview Church on Friday (only), and at Beaver Creek School on Saturday and Sunday.

4. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.

5. To appoint the Clerk as treasurer to oversee the printing of 600 copies of the minutes, also distribution of same.

6. That the Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders.

7. Obituaries to appear in minutes.

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTED AS FOLLOWS:

1974

Received From Churches:

BEAR CREEK	$25.00
BEAVER CREEK	22.00
BIG HELTON	59.00
ROANS CREEK	44.00
NORTH FORK	21.00
RIVERVIEW	50.00
HORSE CREEK	25.00
SENTER	65.00

Total Reveived From Churches $311.00
Treasurer Returned from Last Year..... 145.00
Received From Donations Saturday and Sunday..... 167.00
Total Received $623.00

Expenditures:

To The Moderator .....$.-0-(*)
To The Clerk 40.00
To Assistant Clerk 30.00
Printing and Postage of Minutes.....In Treasury
Use of Nathan's Creek School..... 25.00
To Visiting Elders 248.00
Total Expenditures $343.00

Balance in Treasury $280.00

(*) Note: The Moderator Elder G. D. Roten was allowed $30.00 for Moderating the Association, which was returned to the Finance Committee.

9. Minutes to be read and approved.

10. To adjourn through song and prayer by Elder C. O. Yates, of the Senter Association.

Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator.
Bro. Earl W. Severt, Clerk.
Sister Ruth Severt, Assistant Clerk.

— ORDER OF PREACHING —

Friday Morning:

Elder Worth Stephenson (opened with prayer)
Elder Jess Higgins, Introductory
Elder Daniel Blevins (opened Association work with prayer)
Elder Ray White (closed Association work with prayer)

Friday Evening:

Elder Joe McGrady
Elder Edd Severt (closed with prayer)

Saturday Morning:

Elder John Whaling (opened with prayer)
Elder C. O. Yates (closed Association Business with prayer)

At Stand:
Saturday Morning:

Elder J. R. Lilly (opened with prayer)
Elder Hugh Blevins
Elder Worth Stephenson

Saturday Evening:

Elder Everett Blevins
Elder F. W. Stacks
Elder Curtis Hash
Elder Edd Severt (closed with prayer)

Saturday Night at Senter Church:

Elder Owen Harvey (opened with prayer)
Elder John Whaling
Elder John Whaling (closed with prayer)

Sunday Morning:

Elder Curtis Hash (opened with prayer)
Elder Owen Harvey

Sunday Evening:

Elder Walter Evans
Elder G. D. Roten (closed with prayer)

Thus closed another Session of the Senter Association with Peace and Union felt by one and all. —Clerk.

OBITUARIES

BRO. JOHN CLIFFORD McNIEL

John Clifford McNiel age 76 of West Jefferson, N. C., Rt. #2 died Wednesday, October 24, 1973 at his home. The funeral was held on Saturday at River View Primitive Baptist Church by Elder G. D. Roten and C. O. Yates.

He was a member of River View Church and Served as a Deacon in the Church.

He was born in Wilkes County and was a lumber man.

Surviving are his Wife Mrs. Bessie Bare McNiel, One Son James McNiel, of West Jefferson, N. C. Rt. #2: and one Daughter Mrs. Ira Griffin, of Fleetwood, N. C.

He was preceded in death by a Son Allie McNiel.

He was a loving husband and Father and a faithful member of His Church. He is widely missed by all His friends and loved ones.

by his daughter, Ira Griffin.

BRO. FOSTER MASH

With great sadness we write the obituary of Forester Mash. He was born September 6, 1878. deceased June 6, 1963, making his stay on earth 84 years and six months. He was born in Ashe County, North Carolina. He was the son of the late Willam and Betty Lyles Mash. He was married to the former Ettie Miller who proceded him in death. To this union was born seven children, four boys and three daughters. He became a member of Roans Creek Premitive Baptist Church July, 1960.

SISTER VERNA BARE MASH

Verna Bare Mash, 71, of Jefferson, wife of G. L. Mash, pasted away Tuesday, August 13, 1974 at Ashe Memorial Hospital. The funeral was held at Badger Funeral Home Chapel in West Jefferson at 11:00 a.m., August 15. The funeral was conducted by Elders G. D. Roten, Walter Evans, and Allen Whittington. She became a member of Roans Creek Premitive Baptist Church, September 10, 1919, where she remained a faithful member. Surviving is her husband, two daughters, two sons, thirteen grandchildren, and one great grandson. One son preceded her in death. She is also survived by four sisters. Mrs. Mash's final resting place is Roans Creek Cemetery.

ANNUAL MEETING

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ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

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Elder Ed Severt ..... Ennice, N. C. 28623
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Elder Jack McGinnis ..... 4380 Ogburn Ave.
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Horse Creek — Elders Dewey Roten
North Fork — Elder Dewey Roten
Riverview — Elders Jack McGinnis, C. O. Yates, G. D. Roten
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Horse Creek: Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C. 28694.....15
North Fork: Mrs. Kathleen Burchette, Rt. #1, Box 192A,
Warrensville, N. C. 28693 30
Riverview: C. O. Yates, Rt. 2, Fleetwood, N. C. 28626.....30
Roans Creek: G. L. Mash, Rt. 1, Box 56, Jefferson, N. C. 28640....45
Senter: Annie Jones, Rt. 2, Crumpler, N. C. 28617.....55

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Mates Creek: Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky. 41544.....25
Mountain: Raymond R. Nichols, Rt. 1, Galax, Va. 24333.....25
Mt. Zion: Allen Mann, Rt. 2, Box 252,
Ronceverte, W. Va. 24970.....25
Bear Creek: Claude Parnell, 4244 Glennhigh Rd.,
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Lenoir, N. C. 28645.....25
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Proceedings of the

SENTER DISTRICT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD AT RIVERVIEW CHURCH

FRIDAY – September 12, 1975

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order with song and prayer by Elder J. A. Langham of the Saint's Delight Church of Winston-Salem, N. C.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder George McNure of the Upper Canoochee Association of Georgia.

Opened Association Business with prayer by Elder Kemp Walker, of the Pine Primitive Baptist Church of N. C.

ON MOTION:

1. Letters from the churches read, correspondents seated.
2. The Association appointed Elder G. D. Roten, Moderator; Brother Earl W. Severt, Clerk; and Sister Ruth Severt, Assistant Clerk.
3. Called for Petitionary letters, received none.
4. Called for transient and visiting Brethren and Sisters from Sister Associations and Churches. The following were seated and given the right hand of fellowship.

Mountain Association of North Carolina and Virginia
- Elder Curtis D. Hash
- Elder Walter Evans
- Sister M. A. Jenkins
- Bro. Lon M. Reeves and Wife
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- Bro. Page Wagoner and Wife
- Sister Grace Rector
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- Sister F. W. Stacks, Jr.
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- Elder E. H. Simpson
- Lic. Richard T. Styers and Wife

Upper Canoochee Association of Georgia
Elder George McNure

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Elder J. R. Lilly
Bro. Franklin Oresta and Wife
Sister Dorothy Marshall
Bro. Tommy Joe Pack

Silver Creek Association of North Carolina
Bro. Sam Hartley and Wife

Independent Churches:

Afton Road Church of Virginia
Bro. John Lawrence and Wife
Bro. Henry O. Winn and Wife

Saint's Delight Church of North Carolina
Elder J. A. Langham

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Lic. Kemp Walker
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Salisbury Church of North Carolina
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St. Clair's Bottom Church of Virginia
Elder Dan Blevins
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Walnut Cove Church of North Carolina
Bro. R. J. Snyder
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Montview Church of North Carolina
Bro. F. A. King

Pine Grove Church
Elder Jess Higgins

5. The Moderator to make all temporary appointments in this session.

   A. Committee on Finance:
   Bro. Oscar Burgess
   Bro. Bertie Bare
   Bro. Wayne Severt

   B. Committee on Arrangements:
   Elder C. O. Yates
   Bro. Ralph Miller
   Bro. Norman Brown

   C. Committee on Ministry:
   Bro. Carl Ball
   Bro. Don Walters
   Bro. G. L. Mash
   Delegates of Riverview Church

6. That the Committee on Arrangements meet after close of Business here at the church for conference.
7. To adjourn until 9:30 a.m. Saturday with song and prayer by Elder Curtis D. Hash of the Mountain Association of North Carolina and Virginia.

SATURDAY – September 13, 1975

The Association met as scheduled, called to order with song and prayer by Elder C. O. Yates of the Senter Association.

ON MOTION:

1. Roll call, omitted.
2. Reading of the Constitution, also Rules of Decorum omitted, but to be printed in minutes.
3. The Committee on Arrangements recommend that we continue seating all orderly, peace loving Primitive Baptists as visitors.
4. The next association to be held on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1976, at Senter Church.
5. That minutes be mailed to all visitors.
6. To appoint the Clerk as treasurer to oversee the printing of 600 copies of the minutes, also distribution of same.
7. That the Finance Committee handle the balance of the funds and distribution of same, to visiting Elders, etc.
8. That Obituaries be printed in minutes.
9. Move and second that seats and blocks be sold and money contributed to Beaver Creek Church for the rebuilding of the church.

10. Finance Committee Reported As Follows:
Received From Churches — 1975:

BEAR CREEK	$ 33.00
BEAVER CREEK	34.00
BIG HELTON	65.00
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NORTH FORK	40.00
RIVERVIEW	60.00
HORSE CREEK	30.00
SENTER	70.00
Total Received From Churches	$ 370.00
Treasurer Returned From Last Year	168.00
Received From Donations Saturday & Sunday	192.50
Total Received	$ 730.50

Expenditures:

To The Moderator	$.-0-(*)
To The Assistant Moderator	.-0-
To The Clerk	40.00
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Printing and Postage of Minutes, 1974	138.60
For Use of Beaver Creek School	40.00
To Visiting Elders	141.90
Total Expenditures	$ 360.50
Balance in Treasury	$ 370.00

(*)Note: The Moderator Elder G. D. Roten and the Assistant Clerk Ruth Severt, were allowed $30.00 (each) which was returned to the Finance Committee.

11. Minutes to be read and approved.

12. To adjourn through song and prayer by Elder Jess Higgins, of the Pine Grove Church.

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ORDER OF PREACHING

FRIDAY MORNING:

Elder J. A. Langham (Opened with prayer)
Elder George McNure, (Introductory)
Lic. Kemp Walker (Opened Association work with prayer)
Elder Curtis D. Hash (Closed Association work with prayer)

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At the close of the service one came forward and asked for a home with the Beaver Creek Church, one with Bear Creek Church and three with Riverview Church.

Thus closed another Session of the Senter Association with Peace and Union felt by one and all. — Clerk.

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George Atison Miller, age 83, of West Jefferson, N. C. passed away July 5, 1974 at Ashe Memorial Hospital. The funeral was conducted at Badgers Chapel by the Elders Dewey Roten and Calvin Yates.

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Brother Miller is survived by his wife, Mae Calloway Miller, and nine children: Mrs. Georgia Lewis, Allen Miller, Mrs. Sallie Scott, Mrs. Hazel Hodge, Harry Lee Miller, Mrs. Silver Abernathy, Mrs. Mary Nell Weaver, Jim R. Miller, and Mrs. Betty Lou Monroe.

He was a kind husband and father and a devoted church member. He is greatly missed by his family and friends.

By Mae C. Miller and Children

SISTER BESSIE McNIEL

Mrs. Bessie McNiel, 76, widow of the late Clifford McNiel passed away Saturday, December 28, 1974 at Ashe Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 30, 1974 at Riverview Primitive Baptist Church. Elder Dewey Roten officiated and burial followed in the Church Cemetery.

She was born in Ashe County to H. A. and Martha Bare.

Mrs. McNiel was a loving mother and housewife, and had a smile for all her loved ones and friends.

She is survived by one son James McNiel of Rt. 2, West Jefferson, N. C. and one daughter, Nora Griffin of Rt. 2, Fleetwood, N. C.; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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His funeral was held at Senter Primitive Baptist Church on May 12, 1975 at 2:30 p.m. by his Pastor, Elder Dewey Roten and Elder Walter Evans.

He leaves his wife, Annie Edwards Fowler; three daughters, Mrs. Pauline Richardson, Mrs. Lillian Richardson, and Mrs. Lula Baldwin; one son, Burl Fowler; thirteen grandchildren; thirteen great-grandchildren; and a host of friends and relatives.

SISTER MATTIE TELER MILLER

Sister Miller was born June 4, 1884 and died November 7, 1974. Service was held at Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church on Sunday, November 10, 1974 at 11:00 a.m. by Elder Dewey Roten and Rev. Reeves Jones. Burial was in the Mash Cemetery.

She was a member of the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church and attended faithfully as long as her health permitted.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Senter Church will hold a week's meeting beginning on Sunday night after the second Saturday meeting in April, running through Friday night.

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Churches and No. of Minutes — Clerks and their Addresses

Bear Creek: Margaret Jarvis, Ennice, N. C. 28623.....25
Beaver Creek: Ralph Miller, Creston, N. C. 28615 25
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Warrensville, N. C. 28693 30
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Ronceverte, W. Va. 24970.....25
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Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107.....25
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8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE – 1975

CHURCHES	MESSENGERS	Communion Month	Sat. of Meeting	Ordained Elders	Rec. by Exp. & Bapt.	Received by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions
Bear Creek	Bro. Wayne Severt, Sister Ruth Parsons, Sister Ollie Severt, Sister Carrie Severt, Alt.	May	1	1	1					1	17	$ 33.00
Beaver Creek	Bro. Ralph Miller, Bro. Don Walters, Sister Jean Walters, Sister Willa Grey Miller, Alt.	May	4		4		1		1	1	15	34.00
Big Helton	Bro. G. O. Blevins, Bro. B. O. Dolinger, Sister G. O. Blevins, Sister Emma Dolinger, Alt.	July	3								38	65.00
Roans Creek	Deacon G. L. Mash, Bro. G. O. Burgess, Bro. Guy Reeves, Bro. F. O. Thompson, Alt.	July	4								40	38.00
North Fork	Bro. Grover Burchette, Sister Hettie Sapp, Sister Carrie Miller, Sister Kathleen Burchette, Alt.	July	1								25	40.00
Riverview	Elder C. O. Yates, Bro. Willard Hartzog, Bro. Wade Miller, Bro. Claude Bare, Alt.	June	3	3						1	30	60.00
Horse Creek	Bro. Carl Ball, Bro. Millard Davis, Bro. Calvin Barker, Sister Lessie Ball, Alt.	June	4		1						6	30.00
Senter	Bro. Bertie Bare, Bro. Norman Brown, Bro. Paul Bare, Bro. Steve Douglas, Alt.	June	2							4	65	70.00
TOTAL				4	6		1		1	7	236	$370.00

CHURCH DIRECTORY

BEAR CREEK—Sunday (only) 11 a. m. following the first Saturday. A stucco cinder block building just off highway No. 16, at Glendale Springs, N. C. Note: Glendale Springs, N. C. is located between North Wilkesboro, N. C. and Jefferson, N. C. Highway 16. Traveling from North Wilkesboro, N. C., turn right at Glendale Springs, Traveling from Jefferson, N. C., turn left at Glendale Springs. Church in a small grove of pines on right in sight from Glendale Springs, N. C.

BEAVER CREEK—Fourth Saturday night 7 p. m., and Sunday 2 p. m. A brick church building just off Highway No. 221, about one mile southwest of West Jefferson, N. C. First paved road on left leaving West Jefferson, N. C., road No. 163.

BIG HELTON—Sunday (only) 2 p. m., following the third Saturday. A white wood church building about one mile west of Sturgill, N. C. Take Highway 194 from Lansing, N. C. to Sturgills, N. C., turn left, church about one mile on left side of road.

HORSE CREEK—Sunday (only) 11 a. m. following the fourth Saturday. A white wood frame building about four miles north-N. C., to Lansing, N. C. From Lansing, go 1353 around one mile, west of Lansing, N. C. Take Highway 194 from West Jefferson, turn left on 1324, follow 1324 to Joe Hampton road, follow to end of pavement, turn left to church.

NORTH FORK—Sunday (only) 2 p. m. following the first Saturday. A white asbestos shingle church building, located about three miles west of Warrensville, N. C. Located between Warrensville, N. C. and Trade, Tenn. Take Highway No. 88 out of Warrensville, N. C., about one mile you will come to the North Fork of New River, take first right hand road, church about two miles on right side of road.

RIVERVIEW—Third Sunday following the third Saturday. A brick church building, located about eight miles from West Jefferson, N. C. Take Highway 221 about one mile and a half toward Boone, N. C. Turn left on state road No. 1147, go about six miles, church on left side of road.

ROANS CREEK–Fourth Saturday, 2 p. m. and Sunday, 11 a. m. A brick church building located between Jefferson, N. C., and Laurel Springs, N. C. Take Highway No. 88 out of Jefferson, N. C. about seven miles, church on left side of road.

SENTER–Second Saturday, 11 a. m. and Sunday, 2 p. m. A brick church building, located between Jefferson, N. C. and Sparta, N. C. Take Highway 221 out of Jefferson, N. C. about eight miles, near Nathan's Creek School.

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